enforcement of this act and the expenses connected therewith, and fixing penalties for its violation'; to provide for the inspection of apiaries, and for the suppression of contagious or infectious diseases among bees, and making appropriations therefor," approved the fifth day of May, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred and seventy-nine), is hereby repealed. All other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved—The 6th day of April, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

NO. 59.

AN ACT

Relating to the jurisdiction, powers, and procedure of the court of common pleas as to sale, mortgage, conveyance upon ground rent, and lease for years of real estate, where the legal title is held by a married person whose spouse is an habitual drunkard, and providing for the disposition of the proceeds thereof

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the courts of Real estate. common pleas of the several counties of this Commonwealth, in all cases where the legal title to real estate owned by spouse is held by a married woman or a married man whose spouse is an habitual drunkard duly so found by inquisition, shall have power to direct and authorize said married woman or married man to sell, mortgage, lease sale, etc., by for years, and convey upon ground rent, the same or any part thereof, under the direction of said court of the proper county, whenever it shall appear to said court that said spouse is an habitual drunkard and that it is the interest of the owner of said real estate that the same should be sold, mortgaged, leased for years, or conveyed on ground rent, as the case may be: Provided, however, Where said spouse has no estate in her own right or one inadequate his or her support, it shall be in the discretion of said court, by their order and decree, to make a reasonable provision for his or her support and maintenance out of said rents or proceeds of sale or mortgage so long as said spouse shall continue an habitual drunkard: Provided further, That such sale shall divest Proviso. said real estate from any estate or claim of dower and estate as tenants by the curtesy or any claim in the nature thereof.

Section 2. All jurisdiction conferred by this act on Procedure the court of common pleas shall be exercised on the petition of the spouse holding legal title to said real estate, supported by oath or affirmation.

Provision for sun

100

Petition.

Hearing.

Conveyance, etc.

Effect.

presentation of such petition, the court shall fix a day for the hearing of which notice shall be given to the committee or next of kin of said habitual drunkard. If, upon such hearing, the court is satisfied that the facts set forth in said petition are true, the prayer of the petition shall be granted, and the welfare of said habitual drunkard may be provided for in the discretion of the court as set forth in section one of this act, and the petitioning spouse shall be authorized and empowered to make, execute, and deliver a good and sufficient deed, mortgage, lease for years, or conveyance upon ground rent, as the case may be, for said real estate, to have the same force and effect as though the said petitioning spouse were unmarried: the lien of all debts of record against said land to be preserved.

APPROVED—The 6th day of April, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

NO. 60.

AN ACT

Authorizing removal of county jails, prisons, or workhouses from public parks, squares, or commons, in counties of the fourth class, and the erection of new county jails, prisons, or workhouses at or near the county-seat of said counties; and regulating the disposal of such abandoned county jails, prisons, or workhouses, and the ground upon which the same may be located.

Counties of the fourth class.

Erection of jails, prisons, or work-houses.

At or near county-seat.

Disposal of old buildings.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That, whenever, in any county of the fourth class of this Commonwealth, the county jail, prison, or workhouse of such county is located in or upon a public park, square, or commons in the borough, town, or city then being the countyseat of such county, and a new building or buildings are authorized and required to be erected in place of such county jail, prison, or workhouse, it shall be lawful for the commissioners of such county to erect such new building or buildings upon a site at or conveniently near the county-seat, and, if need be, to purchase ground for the erection of such building or buildings; and, upon the completion of such new building or buildings, the commissioners of such county shall have the authority to dispose of such jail, prison, or workhouse building or buildings, together with all the right, title, or interest of such county in and to the real estate upon which said building or buildings are situated, for any public purpose, including a war memorial, either by sale or by gift, or to remove said building or buildings from said public park, square, or commons.

Section 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED-The 6th day of April, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

Repeal