sessions, in which case the court may order a rate of not more than five mills additional to be levied: Further provided, That if, at the hearing before the court of quarter sessions upon said petition, which hearing is hereby directed to be held not less than ten nor more than fifteen days after said petition shall be presented, the owners of real estate having assessed valuation of fifty per centum of the total assessed valuation of real estate in said township, shall, by petition, object to the making of an order for any additional tax levy, the court shall thereupon deny the prayer of said petition.

Two. A tax for the purpose of building and maintaining [a] suitable [place] places for the housing of fire apparatus; the receipts from said tax for maintenance to be divided among the places maintained.

An annual tax, not exceeding one-tenth of one mill, for the purpose of caring for trees planted under the supervision of the shade-tree commission, and for the purpose of publishing notices of meetings to consider the planting, removing, or changing of trees. In lieu of the tax provided for in this clause, the township commissioners may, by specific appropriation, provide for the maintenance of such trees from the general funds of the township.

An annual tax, so long as necessary, not ex- Tax for exection ceeding fifty per centum of the rate of assessment for township purposes, for the purpose of procuring a lot and erecting a building thereon for a townhouse, and for the payment of indebtedness incurred in connection therewith: Provided, The total indebtedness for the payment of which any such tax shall be levied shall not exceed one-half of one per centum of the assessed value of real estate in the township.

This article does not include the levy of any taxes upon particular districts, or parts of any township, for particular purposes.

Approved—The 7th day of May, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 300.

AN ACT

To provide for the sale of property against which a common law lien may exist for repairs and material; and the method of procedure thereon.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That hereafter where any person, corporation, firm, or copartnership may have what is known as a "common law lien" for enty under "Common Law Lien."

Tax for housing fire apparatus.

Annual tax to care for trees.

of townhouses.

Article does not include taxes particular districts.

Notice of claim.

Proviso.

Contents of notice.

Notice of sale.

Disposition.

work done or material furnished about the repair of any personal property belonging to another person. corporation, firm, or copartnership, it shall be lawful for such person, corporation, firm, or copartnership having said common law lien, while such property is in the hands of the said person, corporation, firm, or copartnership contributing such work and material. to give notice in writing to the owner of the amount of indebtedness for which said common law lien is claimed for the labor and material that has entered into the repair, alteration, improvement, or otherwise, done upon the said property. If the said claim for said work or material is not paid within thirty days the said person, corporation, firm, or copartnership to which said money is due, may proceed to sell the said property, as hereinafter provided: Provided, however, That the owner of said property, if he disputes said bill, may issue a writ of replevin, as provided by law, within the said thirty days, and the said dispute shall be settled in said action of replevin.

Section 2. The notice hereinbefore provided for shall contain an itemized statement setting forth the work and material furnished for the repair, alteration, or improvement of the said personal property, and shall be verified by oath of the claimant; and if said claim is not paid within said thirty days then the said claimant may sell the said property at public sale by giving ten days' notice thereof in the same manner as personal property is sold by sheriff or constable.

Section 3. After satisfying the lien and any costs that may accrue, any residue remaining shall on demand, within six months, be paid to the owner of the property; and if such residue is not demanded within six months from the date of the sale, the same shall be deposited by the person making the sale with the treasurer of the county, together with a statement of the claim and the costs of enforcing the same, a copy of the published notice, and of the amounts received for the goods at said sale. Said residue shall by the county treasurer be credited to the general revenue fund of the county, subject to the right of the owner, or his personal representatives, to reclaim the same at any time within three years from the date of the deposit with the county treasurer.

Section 4. All sales of property made under this act shall be as conclusive to the title conveyed as if sold by a sheriff or constable.

Title conveyed.

Section 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

APPROVED—The 7th day of May, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.