

## No. 318.

## AN ACT

Providing for the appointment of special detectives in counties of the fifth class.

Counties of fifth class.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in any county of the fifth class the district attorney, with the approval of the court of quarter sessions of such county, may whenever they deem it necessary appoint two officers as special detectives, whose duties it shall be to assist in obtaining such evidence as shall be directed by the district attorney for the Commonwealth in all criminal cases and perform such other duties as the court may direct. Such special detectives shall be general police officers and shall have all the powers that are now conferred on constables by the existing laws of this Commonwealth, so far as they relate to crimes or criminal procedure.

Special detectives.

Compensation.

Section 2. The court of quarter sessions of such counties shall fix the compensation of the special detectives of their respective counties and shall direct the clerk of the said court to certify the same to the county commissioners, who are hereby directed and required to draw their warrants on the treasurer of such county in favor of said detectives for the amount so certified.

Repeal.

Section 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 12th day of May, A. D. 1925.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.