treasurer's sale for nonpayment of taxes under any act of Assembly authorizing such sale, and such property has not been redeemed or sold by the county as author-county commissioners, subject to the apized to comproval of the court of common pleas, may, whether or promise. not the period of redemption has expired, agree with the former owner of such property, or his heirs, to accept, in compromise of the amount of the taxes, penalties, interest and costs due, any sum less than the whole of such amount so due, whereupon either the county commissioners or the person with whom such agreement is made may petition the court of common pleas for confirmation confirmation. of such agreement.

Section 2. Upon presentation of such petition, the Hearing. court shall fix a day, not more than ten days thereafter, for a hearing thereon. At least five days' notice of such Notice. hearing shall be given to the taxing authorities of each municipal subdivision having tax claims against such real estate.

Section 3. If, after such hearing, the court is satisfied that the proposed compromise is proper and to the advantage of the county and the other taxing authorities interested, it shall enter a decree approving such compromise settlement, or such other settlement as the court may find to be proper, and directing a conveyance of such property by the county to the former owner, or his heirs, upon the payment of the agreed amount and of all costs of the proceeding. The proceeds of such compromise shall be distributed to the respective taxing au-The title Title. thorities in proportion to their tax claims. conveyed shall be free and clear of all tax liens, but shall not discharge any liens which would not have been discharged on sale for the taxes.

Approval of compromise settle-ment.

Conveyance.

Distribution of

Section 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent here- Repeal.

with are hereby repealed.

Section 5. The provisions of this act shall become ef- when effective. fective immediately upon its final enactment.

APPROVED—The 25th day of May, A. D. 1933.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 230

AN ACT

Relating to seated lands purchased by county commissioners at county treasurer's sale of seated lands for collection of taxes; authorizing the county commissioners to sell the same at private sale under the circumstances.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the Seated lands passage of this act, county commissioners be, and they purchased by are hereby, authorized to sell at private sale any and all missioners at seated lands purchased by them, pursuant to existing

tax sale.

law, at any county treasurer's sale of seated lands for the collection of taxes and not redeemed within two years from the date of such sale to the county commissioners, Private sale upon upon first procuring the approval of such sale by the approval of court. Court of common plant of the approval of such sale by the court of common pleas of the county in which such lands are situated.

Petition to court of common pleas.

Section 2. Upon petition of the county commissioners to the proper court of common pleas, setting forth the date of sale of such lands to the county commissioners, the date when the right of redemption expired and that the right of redemption was not exercised prior to its expiration, a description of the lands sought to be sold, the name of the proposed purchaser, and the terms of the proposed sale and the amount of taxes and costs accrued against the said lands, the court shall fix a time for hearing upon said petition, and require ten days' notice thereof to be given by publication in one newspaper of general circulation published in the county wherein such lands are located.

Hearing. Notice.

Order of court.

Section 3. Upon hearing being held, if no valid objections are interposed to said sale, and if it shall appear to the court that said sale should be made according to its terms, the court shall order the county commissioners to make and deliver to the purchaser a commissioners' deed for the proper conveying of said lands, and to collect the purchase price therefor and to pay all costs of the proceeding from said purchase price.

Section 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved—The 25th day of May, A. D. 1933.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 231

AN ACT

To amend sections twenty-five, thirty-eight, and forty-six of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand two hundred thirty-seven), entitled "An act affecting marital relations; prescribing grounds and regulating proceedings for divorce and the annulment of bigamous marriages: and amending, revising, and consolidating the law relating thereto'; providing for the amendment of libels to include additional grounds for divorce; providing for service of notice of hearing on corespondents; and providing for alimony pendente lite in cases of divorce from bed and board.

Divorce.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That sections twentyfive, thirty-eight, and forty-six of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand two hundred and thirty-seven), entitled "An act affecting marital relations: prescribing grounds and regulating pro-

Sections 25, 38 and 46, act of May 2, 1929 (P. L. 1237) amended.

Repeal.