

act, and having notice of his election, shall refuse to undertake and execute the duties of that office, every person so refusing, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars, which fines and forfeitures and all others in pursuance of this act or of the by-laws of the said burgess and inhabitants shall be recovered before any justice of the peace of that county for the use of the said corporation, and in such case of refusal, the burgess, or in case of his refusal, a majority of the assistants shall issue his or their process to the high constable, requiring him to hold an election for the choice of some other person in the place of such as shall refuse: *Provided*, That no person shall be compelled to serve more than one in any term of five years, and any person or persons conceiving him, her, or themselves agrieved by the judgment of any justice of the peace, by virtue of this act, he, she or they may appeal to the next county court of common pleas, who shall on the petition of the party, take such order therein as to them shall appear just and reasonable, and the same shall be conclusive to all parties.

SECT. VII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the burgess shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before one of the associate judges or a justice of the peace for the county of Mercer, to support the constitution of the United States and of this state, and an oath or affirmation well and truly to execute the office of burgess of the borough of Mercer, and when so qualified he shall administer an oath or affirmation to the assistants, high constable and town clerk, in the manner and form aforesaid, before they shall enter upon the duties of their respective offices.

JOHN ST. CLAIR, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

### CHAPTER CLIII.

*An ACT confirming the official proceedings of Michael Lynch and Thomas Cannon, justices of the peace.*

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in general assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That all acknowledgements of deeds, powers of attorney, and other instruments of writing taken and executed before Michael Lynch a justice of the peace of Chester county, prior to the passing of this act, and all other his official acts be and they are hereby declared to be as valid and effectual in law to all intents and purpos-

How recoverable.

Provide.

Burgess shall take an oath, &c.

And qualify other officers.

Proceedings of Michael Lynch confirmed.

es as if the said justice had performed the same within the district mentioned in his commission, and that all appeals from the judgment of the said justice may be prosecuted to judgment, discontinuance or non-suit, as in other cases.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all the official acts of Thomas Cannon, a justice of the peace for Allegheny county, which have, prior to the passing of this act, been done and performed in and for Mercer county, since the organization of the same, be and they are hereby confirmed and made as valid as if he, the said Thomas Cannon had been commissioned for the county of Mercer aforesaid.

Proceedings of  
Thomas Cannon  
confirmed.

JOHN ST. CLAIR, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CLIV.

An ACT to repeal an act for laying out a road from West Chester to M<sup>c</sup>Call's ferry.

SECT. I. *BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in general assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the first section of an act authorizing the governor to appoint commissioners for the purpose of laying out a road from the borough of West Chester, in Chester county to M<sup>c</sup>Call's ferry on the Susquehanna, passed the twelfth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that the road laid out by the commissioners appointed under the said act, be and is hereby vacated.

Original act re-  
pealed.

JOHN ST. CLAIR, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CLV.

An ACT for the better regulating and collecting certain taxes within the city and county of Philadelphia.

SECT. I. *BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in general assm-*