

*Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That when, and as often as the commissioners of the city and county of Philadelphia, agreeably to the directions of the act to which this is a supplement, shall have caused an accurate return to be made of all dogs upwards of one month old, owned or possessed by any person or persons residing within the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark and the township of the Northern Liberties, (including Penn township, Kensington, and the township of Germantown;) and when, and as often as they shall have caused to be levied the tax or taxes imposed by the act to which this is a supplement, and shall have decided upon appeals from the said levy or assessment, it shall be their duty, and they are hereby required to deliver the said returns and assessments to the guardians of the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and the township of the Northern Liberties, and Germantown, and it shall be the duty of the said guardians, and they are hereby required to cause the taxes so assessed to be entered upon the proper duplicates of the poor tax, and the collectors of the poor taxes shall then collect the said tax upon dogs, in the same manner and with the like powers as they are now authorised to collect the poor tax, allowances to be decided upon and security, if necessary, to be taken, as allowances and security are now decided upon and taken in relation to the poor tax.

Returns of dogs and assessments of tax to be delivered to guardians of the poor.

Dog tax to be entered on the duplicates of the poor tax.

JOHN GILMORE, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

WILLIAM MARKS, Junior,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—February the fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

JOSEPH HIESTER.

CHAPTER XXXII.

*AN ACT*

To continue for four years the district court for the city and county of Philadelphia.

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*

District court continued for 4 years. same, That the act, entitled "An act to continue the district court for the city and county of Philadelphia," passed the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, be, and the same is hereby continued in force for and during the term of four years from and after the thirtieth day of March next.

Court to consist of three judges. **SECT. 2.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That from and after the said thirtieth day of March next, the said court shall consist of three judges, one whereof shall be president, who shall severally receive the same compensation as the president of the said court is now entitled by law to receive, payable as is therein provided, and all actions, matters and things depending in the said court, shall remain, continue and be proceeded in, and all process shall issue and be returnable, and shall have the same effect in law as if there had been no limitation to the said act; and the Governor shall on or before the thirty-first day of March next, appoint and commission three persons to be judges of said court, all of whom shall be of legal knowledge, who shall continue to exercise the duties of their appointment during the continuance of the said court, if they shall so long behave themselves well.

Governor to appoint and commission them.

2 judges to hold courts in the absence of the other. **SECT. 3.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That any two of the said judges, in case of the absence or inability of the other, shall have power to try, hear and determine all civil pleas and actions, real, personal and mixed, and for the trial of all such pleas and actions, shall have and exercise the same powers, authorities and jurisdiction as are now vested by law in the said court.

Repeal. **SECT. 4.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of the said act, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

**JOHN GILMORE,** *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

**WILLIAM MARKS, Junior,**  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—February the twentieth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

**JOSEPH HIESTER.**