

meetings for elections or subjects for consideration ; the officers then in office shall continue to hold and exercise their respective offices until others shall be duly elected to succeed them at some future meeting of the society, which the said corporation is hereby authorized to hold for such purpose.

SECTION 4. The Legislature reserve the right to alter, re-^{Reservation.}voke, or annul the charter granted by this act, at any time they may think proper.

SECTION 5. This act shall continue and be in force only for ^{To continue}the term of fifteen years. 15 years.

WM. PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOS. RINGLAND,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.

No. 96.

AN ACT

To protect the citizens of this Commonwealth from injuries arising from
Mad Dogs running at large.

SECTION 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 if any inhabitant of this Commonwealth shall make complaint, under oath, to any justice of the peace within the county in which he resides, that any dog owned by a citizen of said county is mad, or has been bitten by or been fighting with a dog that is mad, it shall be the duty of the said justice to give notice to the owner to appear forthwith, for the hearing of the said complaint, upon which hearing, if the justice shall be satisfied that the said dog is mad, or that he has been bitten by or been fighting with a mad dog, he shall be authorized to make an order that the said dog be killed ; and if the owner of said dog shall refuse or neglect to put him to death immediately, or employ some one to kill him, he shall pay all legal costs accruing in consequence of his refusal or neglect ; and in such case it shall be the duty of the justice to issue an order to any constable of the county who may be most convenient, directing him forthwith to put the said dog to death, and who shall execute the same under the penalty of five dollars ; and if no constable can be had conveniently to execute the said order, then he may di-

rect the order to any other inhabitant of the county whom he may designate, whose duty it shall be, under the like penalty of five dollars, to execute the said order.

WM. PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOS. RINGLAND,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.



No. 97.

AN ACT

For the endowment of the West Chester Academy, in the county of Chester.

SECTION 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 the Governor be and he is hereby authorized and required, immediately after the passage of this act, to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favour of the trustees of the West Chester Academy, for the sum of one thousand dollars, and annually for three successive years, to draw his warrant in favour of said trustees, for the sum of five hundred dollars, to commence on the first day of May, eighteen hundred and thirty-five.

WM. PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOS. RINGLAND,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.