

Repeal as to swine running at large in Canonsburg.

SECTION 17. That so much of an act in a supplement to an act incorporating the borough of Canonsburg in the county of Washington, passed the thirty-first day of March, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and seven, which prohibits hogs running at large in said borough, be and the same is hereby repealed.

NER MIDDLESWARTH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirty-first day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.

JOS : RITNER.

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No. 94.

An Act

For dividing the incorporated district of Southwark, in the county of Philadelphia, into five wards, and for other purposes.

Boundaries
of the five
wards.

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 incorporated district of Southwark, in the county of Philadelphia, shall be, and hereby is divided into five wards, in manner following, that is to say: so much of the said district as lies east of the centre of Third street, and north of the centre of Catharine street, shall be the first ward; so much of the said district as lies east of the centre of Third street, and south of the centre of Catharine street, to the centre of the railroad of the "Southwark railroad company," as at present located, shall be the second ward; so much of the said district as lies west of the centre of Third street, and north of the centre of Catharine street, shall be the third ward; so much of the said district as lies west of the centre of Third street, and south of the centre of Catharine street, to the centre of the railroad of the "Southwark railroad company," as at present located, shall be the fourth ward; and so much of the said

district as lies south of the centre of the railroad of the "Southwark railroad company," as at present located, shall be the fifth ward.

SECTION 2. It shall henceforth be lawful for the electors of each and every of the said wards, annually to elect for the wards in which they, the said electors, respectively shall reside, two inspectors of the general election, who shall be residents of the wards for which they shall be elected, and that the said election for inspectors, shall be opened and held at the time, and conducted, superintended and regulated, in the manner provided and prescribed by the existing laws of this commonwealth, regulating the elections of inspectors of the general elections.

SECTION 3. The aforesaid elections shall be held at the following named places, that is to say: For the first ward at the public house lately occupied by Sarah Moose, in Front street, above Mead street or alley; for the second ward, at the public house now occupied by John Maconnell, at the south-west corner of Catharine and Second streets; for the third ward at the public house now occupied by Robert Tait, south-east corner of Fourth and Shippen street; for the fourth ward, at the public house now occupied by William C. Nolin, south-east corner of Queen and Fifth streets; and for the fifth ward, at the public house now occupied by George Diamond, in Front street below Federal street: *Provided*, That if at any time hereafter, it shall become necessary, it shall and may be lawful for the qualified voters of each of the said wards, to change the place of holding the said elections of their respective wards, to such other place in the same ward as may be most convenient for them, in the same manner, and under the same regulations that are now by law provided for changing the place of holding ward elections in the city of Philadelphia.

SECTION 4. The general elections in the said district shall as heretofore, be held at the Commissioners' Hall, in the said district, and the commissioners of the said district are hereby required and directed to open two windows on the east front of the said Hall, and appropriate and prepare one thereof for the reception of tickets from the electors of the first ward, and appropriate and prepare the other thereof for the reception of tickets from the electors of the second ward; also, to open two windows in the west front of the said Hall, and appropriate and prepare one thereof for the reception of tickets from the electors of the third ward, and appropriate and prepare the other thereof for the reception of tickets from the electors of the fourth ward; and also, to open one window on the north part of the said Hall, and appropriate and prepare the same for the reception of tickets from the electors of the fifth ward; and the said commissioners are also hereby required and directed to make all

necessary arrangements to facilitate the approach of the electors to the said windows.

Duties of the inspectors, judges and clerks of the general election.

SECTION 5. The inspectors for the said wards, chosen as aforesaid, shall meet at eight o'clock in the forenoon of the day of the general election, at the place now appointed for holding the same for the said district of Southwark, and the inspectors of each and every of the said wards, shall then and there choose and take to their assistance one respectable citizen qualified to vote, residing in the ward for which he shall be chosen, to be a judge of the election therein, and the inspectors and judge for each and every ward chosen as aforesaid, shall appoint for their respective wards such and so many clerks of the election, (being severally of the age of twenty-one years or more,) as they shall deem necessary, and the said inspectors, judges and clerks of the election, shall severally take the qualifications required of, and be subject and liable to all the penalties imposed upon inspectors, judges, and clerks of the general elections in the said district, by the existing laws of this commonwealth, regulating the general elections for the said district, and the said inspectors, the five judges chosen by them as aforesaid, and the said clerks of the election, shall perform all the duties enjoined by the same laws upon inspectors, judges, and clerks of the general elections, in the said district, and in conducting the said general elections, and receiving the votes at the same; the inspectors for each ward, shall occupy the window which may be appropriated for the reception of tickets from the electors of the ward for which they shall have been elected, in exclusion of the inspector or inspectors of any other ward or place.

Time of opening and closing the general election.

SECTION 6. From and after the passage of this act, the time of opening and closing the general elections for the said district, shall be the same as is now by law provided for opening and closing the general elections for the city of Philadelphia, and that the said general elections for the said district, shall in all respects be governed by, and conducted according to the existing laws of this commonwealth regulating the general elections for the said district, excepting only so far as the government and conducting of the same may by this act be altered.

Assessors.

SECTION 7. It shall henceforth be lawful for the voters of each and every of the said wards, annually, on the same day, and at the same time and place, and under the same regulations that inspectors of the general elections are hereby directed to be chosen, to elect for the wards in which they, the said voters respectively, shall reside, the same number of assessors that each of the several wards in the city of Philadelphia are now by law entitled to elect.

SECTION 8. It shall hereafter be lawful for the citizens of the district of Southwark, to elect one suitable person for:

constable in the district, in addition to the four now authorized by law for said district; and the constables of said district shall hereafter be elected in wards, that is to say: it shall be lawful for the voters of each and every of the said wards annually, at the same place where inspectors of the general elections and assessors are hereby authorized to be chosen, and on the same day on which constables in said district are now elected, to elect for the wards in which they, the said voters respectively, shall reside, two suitable persons, who shall be residents of the ward for which they shall be elected, one of whom shall be appointed constable for such ward in the manner now provided by law for appointing constables for said district.

SECTION 9. It shall be the duty of the constables of each and every of the said wards, to give notice of the time and place of holding the elections for inspectors of the general elections in their respective wards, by handbills, to be posted up in at least ten of the most public places therein, at least one week before the day of the said elections, and for refusing or neglecting to do the same, each and every of the said constables so offending, shall forfeit and pay to the corporation of the district of Southwark, the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered as debts of equal amount now are by law recoverable.

SECTION 10. From and after the passage of this act, it shall be lawful for any inhabitant of the said district, who under the existing laws of this commonwealth, shall be legally qualified to vote in the said district, to vote at the ward wherein he shall reside, but at no other of the said wards.

SECTION 11. That the said electors residing in each of the said wards, shall on the second Monday in April next, elect in each of the said wards, at the place by this act provided for holding elections therein, three citizens, whose residence shall be in the wards for which they are elected, to be commissioners of the said district of Southwark; and the said fifteen persons so chosen, shall assemble on the third Monday of the same month at the Commissioner's Hall in the said district of Southwark, and organize their board, when all the powers and authority of the present board of commissioners of the said district of Southwark, shall immediately cease and determine, and become vested in the commissioners to be elected as aforesaid, as fully and entirely as the present board now has and possesses the same, and the commissioners from each ward shall then and there proceed, by wards, to divide themselves, by lot, into three classes; the seats of the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of the first year from and after the said third Monday of April; of the second class, at the expiration of the second year from and after the said third Monday of April; and of

An additional constable, making five in all, to be elected, one in each ward.

Notice of the time & place of holding elections.

Electors to vote in their respective wards.

Three commissioners to be elected in each ward.

To be organized.

Classed.

the third class, at the expiration of the third year from and after the said third Monday of April; and on the second Monday of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and of each succeeding April annually thereafter, an election shall be held in each of the said wards, in manner aforesaid, for a commissioner, to supply the place of him whose time is about to expire; and the five commissioners thus to be chosen on the second Monday of April, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, and of each succeeding April, shall hold their seats as commissioners for the term of three years: *Provided*, that no commissioner of said district shall serve as guardian of the poor, or member of the board of health, or be concerned, directly or indirectly, in any contract authorized by said board of commissioners, nor shall any commissioner be security for any officer, or for the performance of any contract under said board.

Proviso.

Time of opening and closing election.

Inspectors.

Judges.

Clerks.

Oaths of office.

Rules, etc. same as at general elections.

Returns.

SECTION 12. The polls at the said ward elections for commissioners, shall be opened between the hours of eight and nine in the morning, and shall be closed at eight in the evening; and for the purpose of holding said commissioner's elections, two inspectors for each ward shall be chosen at the place of election, at eight o'clock in the forenoon of said election days, by a majority of the electors then and there present, and the inspectors for each and every of the said wards, chosen as aforesaid, shall choose and take to their assistance, one respectable citizen, qualified to vote, residing in the ward for which he shall be chosen, to be a judge of the election therein; and the inspectors and judge for each and every ward chosen as aforesaid, shall appoint for their respective wards, such and so many clerks of the election, being severally of the age of twenty-one years or more, as they shall deem necessary, and the said inspectors, judges, and clerks of the election, shall severally, before entering upon the duties of their offices, take the oaths or affirmations at present required of inspectors, judges and clerks of the general elections in the said district; and the said commissioner's elections shall be conducted in the same manner, and be subject to the same rules; and they the said inspectors, judges, and clerks of the election, and all other persons concerned in or voting at said elections, or in any way connected with or interfering in the same, shall be subject to, and governed by the same rules, and liable to the same penalties, as are now provided by law, or may be hereafter so provided in relation to the general elections.

SECTION 13. That when each election for said commissioners to be had and held in pursuance of this act, shall be closed, and the number of votes for each candidate shall be ascertained, the said judges of the election shall prepare and make, under their respective hands and seals, full, complete, and accurate returns thereof, in their respective wards,

containing the names of all the candidates, and the number of votes given for each, written in words at length, and shall within two days after the closing of each election, deliver or cause to be delivered, the said returns, together with the tickets, lists of names, tally papers, and other documents, sealed up, to the clerk of the court of general Quarter Sessions of the peace in and for the county of Philadelphia; to be filed in his office, and there safely kept, and shall also, within the time before specified, give notice in writing, under their respective hands and seals, to the commissioners elect, in their respective wards, of their elections.

SECTION 14. The inspectors, judges and clerks of such commissioners elections, shall receive the same compensation and allowance, as like officers are entitled to for attendance at the general elections in this commonwealth, and shall be paid out of the treasury of the said incorporated district of Southwark, in the usual way.

SECTION 15. It shall be the duty of the sheriff of the city and county of Philadelphia, within two days after this act shall be certified to him, to give public notice by advertisement, to be posted up in at least twenty of the most public places in the said district of Southwark, of the election for commissioners thereof, to be held by virtue of this act, setting forth in such advertisements, the number of commissioners to be elected, and the time and place of holding said elections.

SECTION 16. That the inspectors of the election for commissioner of the township of Moyamensing, held in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-five, shall act as the inspectors at the election for commissioners of the said township, to be held on the second Friday in May next, and annually thereafter: the inspectors elected in the said township for the general elections of this commonwealth, shall act in the year ensuing such general election, as inspectors of the elections for constables and for commissioners of the said township; the polls for the said elections shall be opened at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and closed at six o'clock in the afternoon.

SECTION 17. Every law, or part of any law which is by this act altered or supplied, shall be, and hereby is so far, and no further, repealed and made void.

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