

[No. 10.]

## A N A C T

Dividing the Incorporated township of Moyamensing, in the county of Philadelphia; the borough of Erie, and the borough of Pottsville, into wards, and for other purposes.

**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 township of Moyamensing, in the county of Philadelphia, shall be and hereby is divided into four wards, in manner following: That is to say, so much of the said township, as lies east of the centre of Seventh street, and north of the centre of Carpenter street, shall be the first ward: so much of the said township, as lies between the centre of Seventh street and the centre of Eleventh street, and north of the centre of Carpenter street, shall be the second ward: so much of the said township, as lies west of the centre of Eleventh street, and north of the centre of Carpenter street, shall be the third ward; and so much of the said township, as lies south of the centre of Carpenter street, shall be the fourth ward.

**SECTION 2.** The ward elections in the said township, shall be held on the third Friday of March next, and annually thereafter, at the following named places—that is to say:

First ward, at the public house now occupied by Philip Eleman.

Second ward, at the Commissioner's hall.

Third ward, at the public house now occupied by John Snyder.

Fourth ward, at the public house now occupied by John Pascal:

*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 places in the same ward, as may be most convenient for them, in the same manner and under the same regulations, as are now by law provided, for changing the place of holding ward elections, in the city of Philadelphia.

**SECTION 3.** The election on the third Friday of March next, shall be conducted by the following officers, viz:

**Officers.** For the First ward: Inspectors—David Rambo, Thomas Smith. Judge—John Davis.

For the Second ward: Inspectors—Joseph Yeager, Isaac Smyth. Judge—Charles Clarkson.

For the Third ward: Inspectors—John Snyder, William Moore. Judge—Edward O'Donnell.

For the Fourth ward: Inspectors—Thomas Barnett, William Heffner. Judge—William Mountain:

**Powers and duties of inspectors, &c.** Who shall have all the powers, and perform all the duties, and be subject to all the regulations, that are by law prescribed for inspectors and judges of elections; and it shall be the duty of the constables of the said township, to perform the duties required by law of the constables of the several wards and townships, in relation to ward elections, so far as relates to the election, on the third Friday of March next.

**Constable, how elected.** **SECTION 4.** It shall hereafter be lawful, for the qualified voters of each ward annually, at the same time and place of holding the ward elections, to elect for the wards in which they respectively shall reside: one suitable person to act as constable, who shall be a resident of the ward for which he shall be elected.

**Election of commissioners.** **SECTION 5.** The election of commissioners of the said township, shall hereafter be held on the second Tuesday in October, at the same time and places of holding the general election; and it shall be the duty of the judges of said election, to meet at the Commissioner's hall, at ten o'clock, on the morning of the Wednesday next after the election, to add together the votes given for commissioners, who shall forthwith give to each of the persons having the highest number of votes, a certificate of his election, and deposite with the Prothonotary of the court of Quarter sessions, a copy of the returns of the said election. The commissioners elect, shall meet together, with the ten whose time shall not have expired, on the first Monday of November next, following each and every election, and perform such duties as are now required by law.

**Certificate of election to be given.** **SECTION 6.** The term of office of the commissioners elected in May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, shall expire on the first Monday of November, one thousand eight hundred and forty: those elected in May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, shall expire on the first Monday of November, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one; and those elected in May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, shall expire on the first Monday of November; one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

**Expiration of term of commissioners.** **SECTION 7.** That the borough of Erie be and the same is hereby divided into two separate wards, in manner following, into 2 wards. to wit: All that part of said borough, east of State street, to

**Borough of Erie, divided into 2 wards.**

compose one ward, to be called "East ward;" and all that part of said borough on the west side of said State street, to compose one ward, to be called "West ward:" That each of said wards shall be a separate election district, and each elect two Justices of the Peace, with the right to increase the same whenever the inhabitants of said wards respectively shall determine said increase to be necessary, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution; and the qualified electors of each of said wards, shall, on the third Friday of March next, and annually thereafter, agreeably to the provisions of existing laws, elect one constable; one member of the town council; one overseer of the poor; one school director; two auditors; one assessor; one judge and two inspectors of elections, for each ward, and vote one person for burgess, and one person for high constable of said borough; and the proper returns thereof made in the manner designated in the act incorporating the borough of Erie, and the existing election laws of this commonwealth.

SECTION 8. That the elections by the citizens of the said wards, shall be held in the Court house, in the said borough of Erie, and the electors of each said wards shall meet at the court house, on the third Friday of March next, and between the hours of eight and nine o'clock, A. M. choose one person who shall be judge, and two persons who shall be inspectors, which said judge and inspectors, shall respectively, take an oath or affirmation, to conduct the ensuing election with impartiality and fidelity; and shall thereupon, appoint the requisite number of clerks, and proceed forthwith to hold said election, which shall be conducted in all respects as directed by the act incorporating the borough of Erie, and as elections for constables, are now by law provided to be conducted.

SECTION 9. That the borough of Pottsville, Schuylkill county, be and the same is hereby divided into two separate wards, in manner following, to wit: All that part of said borough, north of Norwegian street, to compose one ward, to be called "North ward;" the elections for which to be held at the public house of Nathaniel J. Mills: and all that part of said borough, on the south side of said Norwegian street, to compose the other ward, to be called "South ward;" the elections to be held at the White Horse Hotel.

SECTION 10. Each of said wards shall elect two justices of the peace, with the right to increase the same, whenever the inhabitants of said wards respectively shall determine said increase to be necessary, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution; and each of said wards shall respectively elect one constable: said elections to be held, at the same time and in the

same manner, as township elections are directed to be held, throughout this commonwealth.

WM. HOPKINS,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

W. T. ROGERS,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of February, eighteen hundred and forty.

DAVID R. PORTER.

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[No. 11.]

## A SUPPLEMENT

To an act entitled an act, relating to the Elections of this Commonwealth.

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 so much of the fifty-third section of the act, entitled an act, relating to the elections of this commonwealth, as relates to the time of electing township officers, in the county of Tioga, be and the same is hereby repealed; and that the township elections in said county, shall hereafter be held, on the third Friday in February, in every year.

Township  
election in  
Tioga county,  
to be held 3d  
Friday in  
February.

WM. HOPKINS,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

W. T. ROGERS,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of February, eighteen hundred and forty.

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