

No. 271.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled "An Act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes," passed January twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and the several supplements thereto.

Board of health authorized to buy lands and erect buildings for a public hospital, &c.

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 it shall and may be lawful for the board of health, under the provisions of the seventh section of the act supplementary to the health laws, passed on the third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, to buy lands and erect buildings for a public hospital, out of and from any of their funds; and so much of said section as directs that such purchase and building shall be made exclusively from the proceeds of sale of the present city hospital, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Construction of certain act.

SECTION 2. That the general health law, passed on the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, shall be taken and construed as if the words "small pox," had never occurred therein.

Board of health, additional powers of, in abating and removing nuisances.

SECTION 3. That whenever any nuisance shall be found any where within the jurisdiction of the board of health, by reason of the keeping of hogs or other animals, the board of health in addition to their power of destroying the pens or other inclosures containing such animals, or of otherwise abating and removing such nuisance, be and they are hereby empowered to seize such animals, and deliver them over as forfeited to "the guardians for the relief and employment of the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and the townships of the Northern Liberties and Penn," for the use of said poor; and it shall be the duty of said guardians of the poor, on notice from the board of health, to receive the said animals, and pay the expense of their removal: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to interfere with the keeping of well regulated markets for the purchase and sale of cattle, excepting swine.

Proviso.

Division of board of health into classes.

SECTION 4. That immediately after the passage of this act, the members of the board of health shall be divided by lot into three classes, six of whom, to wit: two members from the city of Philadelphia, and four from the incorporated districts of the county of Philadelphia, shall go out of office in the month of March, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, of whom, to wit: two members from said city, and four from the said districts, shall go out of office in the month of March, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and the remaining five of whom, shall go out of office in the month of March, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-two; and in future, all members of the board of health, shall be elected for the term of three years, unless in case of a vacancy, which shall only be filled for the unexpired term of the person causing such vacancy: *Provided*, That in the above arrangement by lot, no two members from the same incorporated district of the county, shall go out of office in the same year.

SECTION 5. That the board of health shall have full power and authority to remove the cause of all nuisances that exist now or may be hereafter created, in the same manner and by the same authority as the existing laws now authorize them to remove all nuisances.

SECTION 6. That the board of health of the city and county of Philadelphia, be and they are hereby directed and required within two years from the passage of this act, to discontinue the deposit of the contents of privies on their lot of ground, situate in the district of Spring Garden, near the Eastern penitentiary; and the said board of health are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase some suitable location for a depository of the contents of privies, and also to sell and convey in fee simple, or for a lesser estate, the whole or any part of their real estate, situate in the said district of Spring Garden, for such price or prices, and upon such terms as they shall judge expedient.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

GEORGE DARSIE,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

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A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To the act incorporating the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company.

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 period of time for the extension of the upper terminus of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company, into the borough of Pottsville, fixed by the act of the twenty-ninth of March, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, shall be extended for two years from the time then fixed: *Provided however,* That hereafter said company shall run their passenger cars to and from the borough of Pottsville, if an equitable arrangement can be made for that purpose with the Mount Carbon railroad company.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

GEORGE DARSIE,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fifth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

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