

No. 65.

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For dividing the incorporated district of Penn, in the county of Philadelphia, into wards, authorizing the construction of culverts, and the erection of market houses in said district.

WHEREAS, From the large territory, and the increased population of the incorporated district of Penn, in the county of Philadelphia, great inconvenience has been experienced, not only in making assessments and collecting of taxes, but also, in conducting the elections in said district; therefore, Preamble.

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 from and after the passage of this act, the incorporated district of Penn, in the county of Philadelphia, shall be divided into three wards, in manner following, to wit: Division of the incorporated district of Penn into three wards.

1. That so much of said district, as is bounded by Delaware, sixth street, and the Germantown road on the east, by Broad and Tenth streets on the west, and the northernmost line of the district, on the north, and by Master street, and the southern line of the district on the south, shall be one ward, and called "First Ward." Boundaries of "First Ward."

2. That so much of said district, as is bounded by Tenth street on the east, by Schuylkill Seventh street on the west, by Master street on the north, and by the southernmost line of the district on the south, shall be one ward, and called "Second Ward." Boundaries of "Second Ward."

3. That so much of said district as is bounded by Schuylkill seventh and Broad streets on the east, by the river Schuylkill on the west, by the northernmost line of the district on the north, and Master street and the southernmost line of the district on the south, shall be one ward and called "Third Ward." *Provided*, That the present division of the district into election precincts shall remain as now provided by law. Boundaries of "Third Ward." Proviso.

SECTION 2. That the qualified electors of the several wards of the district of Penn, shall on the third Friday of March next, and annually thereafter, elect the same number of judges and inspectors of election, aldermen, assessors, tax collectors, and constables, as the wards of the Northern Liberties and Spring Garden now elect by law: *Provided*, That the aldermen now in commission in the said district, shall be and remain aldermen of the respective wards in which they reside, as fully and effectually as if this act had never been passed. Annual election of officers. Proviso.

SECTION 3. That the commissioners of the district shall have full power and authority, by a majority of the board, to construct a culvert in Thompson street, agreeably to the plan of said district, beginning at such a point or points, and extending along the line of said street such a distance or distances as they may deem advisable, with full power and authority, by loan or otherwise, to provide means for the payment of the same: *Provided, however*, That at least thirty days notice shall be given, in one or more daily paper or papers, published in Philadelphia, inviting proposals for the work to be done, plans and specifications of which shall be exhibited to the public, at the commissioners hall, in said district, and at the expiration of said notice, the Authority to commissioners of said district to construct culvert in Thompson street. Proviso. Proposals.

proposals shall be opened by the committee appointed by the board, and the work allotted to the lowest and best bidder or bidders, either in whole or by sections, a majority of the board agreeing thereto.

Assessor to keep
books.

SECTION 4. That the present assessor of the district aforesaid, shall immediately upon the passage of this act, proceed to make three separate and distinct books from the book of assessments, now on file in the office of the commissioners of said county, for eighteen hundred and fifty-two, embracing the personal and real estate within the bounds of the respective wards aforesaid, and shall receive the same compensation as is now allowed by law, the blank books aforesaid to be furnished by the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia.

Commissioners
authorized to
erect market
houses.

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SECTION 5. That said commissioners shall have power and authority, and are hereby authorized, when they may deem it expedient to erect, or cause to be erected, market houses on any part of Girard avenue, east of Twelfth street, in the said district: *Provided*, That said commissioners shall have full power and authority, by loan or otherwise, to provide means for the payment of the same: *Provided however*, That at least thirty days notice shall be given, in one or more daily paper or papers published in Philadelphia, inviting proposals for building and furnishing materials for the same; plans and specifications of which shall be exhibited to the public at the commissioners hall, in said district, and at the expiration of said notice, the proposals shall be opened by a committee appointed by the board, and the contract allotted to the lowest and best bidder or bidders, a majority of the board agreeing thereto.

Commissioners
authorized to
pave Delaware
Sixth street be-
tween Thomp-
son and Master
streets.

SECTION 6. That the commissioners of said district shall have power and authority, to pave Delaware sixth street, between Thompson and Master streets, without the application or concurrence of a majority of the owners of real estate, fronting on said street, and the expense of laying said paving, and for the collecting the bills incurred thereby, shall be a lien on the said real estate, in all respects as is now provided by law.

Repeal.

SECTION 7. That so much of any, and all former acts as are altered, or supplied by the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

JOHN S. RHEY,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN H. WALKER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twentieth day of February, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two.

WM. BIGLER.