

same with the commissioners of the said county for the time being. (q) 1800.

Passed 22d January, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 79.

(q) By a supplement passed 15th March, 1800, (chap. 2129,) persons are appointed to purchase lots for the use of the county, in Gettysburgh, and erect the public buildings thereon, &c

Five election districts established in Adams county, by act of 31st January, 1801, (chap. 2153.)

Straban township annexed to the first district, by act of 4th April, 1809, (§ 1.)

Hamilton township erected into a separate district, by act of 1st April, 1811, (sect. 11.)

The powers of the trustees of Adams county transferred to the county commissioners. The trustees to render an account, and pay the commissioners all the monies remaining in their hands. The commissioners authorized to lay an additional tax to complete the public buildings; act of 26th March, 1804, (chap. 2468.)

By the last enumeration, the county of Adams contained two thousand seven hundred and forty-one taxables; and with the county of York, eight thousand three hundred and three taxables and by act of 21st March, 1808, apportioning the representation in pursuance thereof, the county of Adams sends two members to the House of Representatives; and in conjunction with York county, two members to the Senate.

By act of 24th February, 1806, (chap. 2634,) the counties of Adams, Franklin and Cumberland compose the ninth judicial district. The courts in Adams county are held on the third Mondays in January, April, August and November; the term continues two weeks.

Adams county is annexed to the southern district of the Supreme Court.

CHAPTER MMLXXXVII.

An ACT transferring the powers of the trustees of the county of Greene, to the commissioners of said county. [Chap. 1859, ante, page 262.]

SECT. 1. [THE power of the trustees of Greene county transferred to the county commissioners. 2. Accounts of the trustees to be settled, and money raised for completing the county buildings.]

Passed 28th January, 1800—Recorded in Law Book No. VI. page 83.

CHAPTER MMXCII.

An ACT for erecting parts of the counties of Mifflin, Northumberland, Lycoming and Huntingdon, into a separate county.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Legislature of this state, by the inhabitants of those parts of the counties of Mifflin, Northumberland, Lycoming and Huntingdon, included within the lines hereafter mentioned, that they labour under great hardships, by reason of their great distance from the present seats of justice, and the public offices for the said counties: For remedy whereof,

SECT. 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 all and singular the lands lying within the bounds and limits herein after described, shall be, and are hereby erected into a separate

Boundaries of Centre county established.

1800. county, by name of Centre county, namely, beginning opposite the mouth of Quinn's run, on the west branch of Susquehanna; thence a straight line to the mouth of Fishing creek, where it empties into the Bald-eagle creek; thence to the north-east corner of Miles's (late Haines's) township, including Nittany valley; thence by the north-eastern boundaries of the said township to the summit of Tussey's mountain; thence by the summit of said mountain, by the lines of Haines's township in Northumberland county, Potter township in Mifflin county, and Franklin township in Huntingdon county, to a point three miles south-west of the present line between Mifflin and Huntingdon counties; thence by a direct line to the head of the south-west branch of Bald-eagle creek; thence a direct line to the head waters of Moshannon; thence down the same to Susquehanna, and down the Susquehanna to the place of beginning.

Jurisdiction
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leges of the
county.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the inhabitants of the said Centre county, shall at all times hereafter, enjoy all and singular the jurisdictions, powers, rights, liberties and privileges whatsoever, within the same, which the inhabitants of other counties of this state do, may, or ought to enjoy within their respective counties by the constitution and laws of this commonwealth.

Of the Su-
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mon Pleas
and Quarter
Sessions.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the judges of the Supreme Court, and the president of the fourth district, of which district the said Centre county is hereby declared to be a part, as well as the associate judges who shall be commissioned in and for the said Centre county, shall have like powers, jurisdictions and authorities within the same, as are warranted to, and exercised by the said judges in other counties of this commonwealth; and that the Courts of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and of the Common Pleas, in and for the said Centre county, shall be opened and holden on the Mondays next succeeding the General County Courts held in the county of Mifflin, in each year, at the house now occupied by James Dunlop, in the town of Bellefont, in the said Centre county, until a court-house shall be erected as herein after directed, and shall then be held at the said court-house.

Of the Com-
mon Pleas
and Quarter
Sessions of
Huntingdon
and Bedford.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the Courts of Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the county of Huntingdon, shall be held on the Mondays next succeeding such courts to be held in the said Centre county, and the said courts for the county of Bedford, shall be held on the Mondays next succeeding the said courts in the county of Huntingdon.]

[Supplied.]

Provision
for continu-
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in the new
county.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That no action or suit now commenced, or that shall be commenced in the County Courts of Mifflin, Northumberland, Lycoming or Huntingdon, before the first day of November next, against any person living or residing within the bounds of Centre county, shall be stayed, discontinued or affected by this act, or any thing herein contained, but that the same may be prosecuted to the final issue in the same manner as if this act had not been passed.

SECT. VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* 1800.
That the inhabitants of the said Centre county, shall, under the same rules, laws and regulations as the other counties of this commonwealth, elect such officers as they by law and the constitution are entitled to. Of county officers.

SECT. VII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* Of sureties of the county officers,
That the Sheriffs, Treasurers and all such officers as have heretofore usually given bail for the faithful discharge of the duties of their respective offices, who may hereafter be elected or appointed in Centre county, before they or either of them shall enter upon the execution of their respective offices, shall give sufficient security in the like sums, in the like manner and form, and for the like uses, trusts and purposes, as such officers are obliged by law, for the time being, to do in the county of Mifflin.

SECT. VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* Of arrearages of taxes.
That all arrearages of taxes now due, and which have been assessed within the counties of Mifflin, Northumberland, Lycoming and Huntingdon, prior to the passing of this act, shall be collected by the proper officers of the said counties, and shall be by them paid to the Treasurers of the said counties respectively, in the same manner as if this act had not passed.

SECT. IX. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* Trustees for the county.
That Andrew Gregg, William Swanzey and Robert Boggs, of Bald-Eagle, be, and they are hereby appointed Trustees for the county aforesaid, with full authority for them, or the survivors or survivor of them, to purchase or take and receive by grant, bargain, or otherwise, as well all such assurances for the payment of money and grants of land, as hath been stipulated for by James Dunlop and James Harris, by their bond to the Governor of this Commonwealth, as also any monies, bonds or other property that may hereafter be offered to them, in trust to sell and convey, or otherwise dispose of the same, to the best advantage; and to vest one moiety of the neat proceeds thereof in some productive fund, for the support of an academy or public school, in the said county; and with the other moiety of the neat proceeds of the land or lots aforesaid, and with other monies duly assessed, levied and collected within the said Centre county for that purpose, which it is hereby declared it shall be lawful for the Commissioners thereof to do or cause to be done, to build and erect a court-house, prison and other buildings for the safe keeping of the public records of said county, on such part of the public square, laid out in the said town of Bellefont, as to them shall appear most suitable; and the said Trustees shall, from time to time, render due and faithful accounts of the expenditures of the same, to the Commissioners and to the Auditors of the county who are hereby authorized to adjust and settle the same. Of county buildings.

SECT. X. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* Of elections in the new county.
That the inhabitants of the county of Centre, until the next enumeration of the taxable inhabitants is made agreeably to the fourth section of the first article of the constitution, shall hold their elections for members of Federal and State Legislatures, with the counties and districts to which they have been heretofore annexed, in the

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same manner as if this law had not been enacted, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, save only that the inhabitants of so much of lower Bald-Eagle as is included in the said Centre county, shall hold their general elections at the house now occupied by Archibald Stewart, in the said township, and so much of Franklin township, as is included in the said Centre county, shall hold their general elections with the inhabitants of the townships of Potter and Patton, at the house now occupied by William King, in Potter's township. (r)

Passed 13th February, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 90.

(r) By an act passed 7th January, 1801, (chap. 2147.) Commissioners to be appointed to run part of the lines between Huntingdon and Centre, and also, between Lycoming and Centre. Duplicate plots to be made of the surveys, and deposited in the offices of the respective counties. The prison may be built on any other lot than the public square.

By the same act, the first and second election districts are established.

The second district new modelled, and Patton and Warrior-Mark townships, annexed to the first district, by act of 25th February, 1801, (chap. 2188,) place of holding elections therein changed, act of 31st March, 1806, (chap. 2715, § 26.)

Halfmoon and Patton townships erected into a separate district, by act of 19th January, 1802, (chap. 2209.)

The place of holding elections in Bald-Eagle township, (the fourth district) fixed, by act of 17th March, 1802, (chap. 2247,) but place changed by act of 4th April, 1805, (chap. 2599, § 10.)

The sixth election district erected, by act of 8th January, 1805, (ch. 2514.)

Centre township erected into the seventh district by act of 11th April, 1807, (chap. 2856, § 43.)

Beccaria, Bradford, and part of Halfmoon township, in Clearfield county (which elects with Centre) erected into a separate district, by act of 28th March, 1808, (chap. 2872, § 27.) Potter township and Ferguson townships, erected into separate districts, by same act, § 31-2.

Trustees appointed for the county of Centre by act of 6th February, 1804, (chap. 2411,) and act of 4th March, 1807, (chap. 2750.)

An academy established at *Bellefont*, by act of 8th January, 1804, (chap. 2519,) money granted to it, act of 9th January, 1806, (chap. 2618.)

The power and authority of the Commissioners, &c. of Centre county, extended throughout the county districts of Clearfield and M'Kean. The Commissioners and Treasurer to keep distinct accounts of the monies levied and collected in said districts, which are to be applied to special purposes. Recorder of deeds to provide separate books to record deeds for lands in said districts, to be delivered over when recorders shall be appointed in them respectively, and Clearfield county made an election district, act of 14th March, 1805, (chap. 2556.)

By the last enumeration, the county of Centre contained one thousand nine hundred and eighteen taxables, Clearfield, one hundred and sixty-three M'Kean, thirteen, total two thousand and ninety-four, Lycoming, two thousand and forty-six, and by the act of 21st March, 1808, apportioning the representation in pursuance thereof, Centre, Clearfield and M'Kean send one member to the House of Representatives, and Centre, Clearfield, M'Kean, Lycoming, Tioga and Potter, jointly, send one member to the Senate.

By act of 24th February, 1806, (chap. 2634,) Mifflin, Centre, Huntingdon and Bedford counties, compose the fourth judicial district. The Courts in Centre are held on the fourth Mondays of January, April, August and November. The term continues one week.

Centre county is attached to the middle district of the Supreme Court.

CHAPTER MMXCV.

An ACT to declare part of Shaver's creek in the county of Huntingdon, a public highway.

SECT. I. BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assem-