

fees which should be paid to the said municipal corporation in order to properly compensate it for the necessary cost of the services performed, or to be performed, by it, for the inspection and regulation of the poles, wires, conduits, or cables of the said telegraph, telephone, light or power company; and the amount thus determined shall be the maximum sum which the said municipal corporation shall be authorized to charge as license fees against such petitioning corporation," be, and the same is, amended to read as follows:—

Determination of amount of license fees.

Section 3. The said court, in its decision of said dispute, shall determine the amount of annual license fees which should be paid to the said municipal corporation in order to properly compensate it for the necessary cost of the services performed, or to be performed, by it, for the inspection and regulation of the poles, wires, conduits, cables, pipe or mains of the said telegraph, telephone, light, power, street passenger railway, motor traction, gas, or water company; and the amount thus determined shall be the maximum sum which the said municipal corporation shall be authorized to charge as license fees against such petitioning corporation.

Section 6, act of July 26, 1913 (P. L. 1371), cited for amendment.

Section 3. Section six, which reads as follows:—  
"Section 6. Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to alter or affect the duty of said telegraph, telephone, light, or power company to properly erect, or construct and maintain, its poles, wires, conduits and cables, or to relieve it from liability for negligence in regard thereto, either primarily to the person injured or secondarily to the municipal corporation, if judgment be recovered against it by the person injured by reason of such negligence," be amended so as to read as follows:—

Act construed.

Section 6. Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to alter or affect the duty of said telegraph, telephone, light, power, street passenger railway, motor traction, gas, or water company to properly erect, or construct and maintain, its poles, wires, conduits, cables, pipes or mains, or to relieve it from liability for negligence in regard thereto, either primarily to the person injured or secondarily to the municipal corporation, if judgment is recovered against it by the person injured by reason of such negligence.

Negligence.

APPROVED—The 23d day of June, A. D. 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

No. 226.

AN ACT

Relating to payment of taxes on seated lands by joint tenants, tenants in common, or coparceners.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That any joint tenant, tenant in common, or coparcener of seated land in this Commonwealth, shall have the right to pay his, her, or their proportionate part of the amount of taxes due thereon; and it shall be the duty of the tax-collector to receive and receipt for the same; and the interest of any such joint tenant, tenant in common, or coparcener shall not be affected by any proceeding or sale to enforce payment of taxes on the other interests in said land.

Taxation.  
Seated lands.  
Payment of proportionate part of tax by joint tenants, tenants in common, or coparceners.

APPROVED—The 23d day of June, A. D. 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

No. 227.

AN ACT

Making it unlawful for any individual or individuals to carry on or conduct any business under an assumed or fictitious name, style, or designation, unless upon the filing of a certificate to that effect in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and of the prothonotary; requiring county commissioners, at the expense of the county, to provide books for the entry of such certificates; fixing the fees of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and prothonotary; and providing penalties.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That no individual or individuals shall hereafter carry on or conduct any business in this Commonwealth, under any assumed or fictitious name, style, or designation, unless the person or persons conducting or carrying on the same shall have first filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and in the office of the prothonotary, to be entered in a book to be provided for that purpose, a certificate, under oath, and signed by such person or persons, setting forth the real name or names and addresses of all the persons owning or interested in said business, and also the name, style, or designation under which said business is being or will be carried on or conducted.

Business conducted under fictitious name, style or designation.

Certificate.  
Contents.

Where any of the owners of said business live outside of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and carry

Agency. on or conduct any such business through an agent, such certificate shall also show the name and address of such agent.

Certificate book. Section 2. The book hereinbefore required to be kept by the prothonotary shall be provided by the county commissioners, at the expense of the respective counties. The fees of the prothonotary and the Secretary of the Commonwealth for the entry of such certificate shall be the same as now provided by law for similar services.

Fees. Section 3. Any person carrying on or conducting any business in violation of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Violation. Section 4. If the certificate required by section one of this act shall be in any material respect false, any person signing or swearing to the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

False statements. Section 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act be, and they are hereby, repealed.

Penalty. APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

No. 228.

AN ACT

Regulating the speed of power-driven vehicles, run on or over the public bridges of this Commonwealth; and providing the punishment for violators thereof.

Power-driven vehicles. Limitation of speed on or over public bridges.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive, or cause to be driven, on or over any public bridge of this Commonwealth, any power-driven vehicle, with a gross weight of four tons or more, at a greater rate of speed than six miles per hour.

Violations. Section 2. Any person offending against any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars, or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding

thirty days, or both or either, in the discretion of the court.

Section 3. All acts or parts of acts, general, special, or local, inconsistent with or supplied by the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed. Repeal.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A. D. 1917.

MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH.

No. 229.

AN ACT

To amend the first paragraph of section four of the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," as amended.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That so much of section four of an act, approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine (Pamphlet Laws, one hundred four), entitled "An act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class," which, as amended by the act approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, six hundred eighty-four), entitled, "An act amending the first paragraph of the fourth section of the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, entitled 'An act to provide for the classification of the townships of the Commonwealth, with respect to their population, into two classes, and to prescribe the form of government for townships of each class,'" which reads as follows:—

"Section 4. In townships of the first class the following township officers shall be chosen by the qualified voters at the township election on the first Tuesday following the first Monday of November of each odd-numbered year:—

"First. That at the next regular election for township officers after the passage of this act, or at the time that any township of the first class of this Commonwealth is organized, there shall be chosen by the qualified voters of the township one township commissioner from each election district of said township, and, in townships of the first class of this Common-

Townships of the first class.

1899, P. L. 104.

Part of section 4, act of April 28, 1899 (P. L. 104), as amended by act of June 1, 1915 (P. L. 594), cited for amendment.