

the fourth Tuesday of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-six; and that the act entitled "An act to incorporate medical societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of physic and surgery in this state," passed January twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and thirty, and all supplements thereto, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Meridian Line.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chosen freeholders to erect a pillar in each county with brass plate indicating true meridian. 2. Penalty for injuring or destroying. 3. Additional pillar with visible needle point to be erected. 4. A hair-sight to be erected on the meridian standard pillar. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Freeholders to provide and keep a standard measure. 6. Latitude and longitude to be marked on pillar. 7. Surveyors to test variation. 8. Fees of clerk for recording certificate of variation &c. |
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An act for the erection of a true meridian line standard in each county of the state, and for the protection of the same.

P. L. 1863, p. 12.

Approved February 4, 1863.

Chosen freeholders to erect a pillar in each county with brass plate indicating true meridian.

1. It shall be the duty of the board of chosen freeholders of each county of the state, within the space of six months next ensuing after the passage of this act, or in case any new county shall be created at any time hereafter then within six months of the time when the act creating said county shall have become a law, to erect at some public spot adjacent to each court house of each county, a good and substantial pillar, upon whose summit there shall be firmly and immovably placed a brass plate, in which shall be indented a line, indicating the true meridian; and to enclose and protect the same properly, the said pillar and enclosure to be subject to the custody of the county clerk, to be free to the access of any surveyor of lands, or civil engineer, residing in said county, or engaged in surveying therein, for the purpose of testing the variation of the compass for the time being; and to cause the said meridian line to be verified at any time when required so to do by order of the circuit court of the said county; and that the expense of the said erection, enclosure and verification shall be provided for by the said board of chosen freeholders, after the mode in which other expenses chargeable to the county are provided.

Penalty for injuring or destroying.

2. Any person or persons who shall wilfully erase, alter, deface, displace, destroy or otherwise injure said line, or plate, or pillar or any part thereof, or destroy, break down or carry away the enclosure aforesaid, or any lock, bar, bolt, or any part thereof, the said person or persons so offending shall be deemed to be guilty of felony, and upon conviction thereof before any court of competent jurisdiction, shall be punished by a fine not less than fifty, and not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary of the state, during a term not less than one, nor more than three years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

P. L. 1864, p. 460.

Approved March 24, 1864.

Additional pillar with visible needle-point to be erected.

A supplement.

3. SEC. 1. In addition to the pillar provided for in the act to which this is a supplement, it shall be the duty of the board of chosen freeholders of each county of the state to cause to be erected an additional pillar at a point not less than one hundred feet in distance from the pillar before provided for, and upon the same meridian line, upon the summit of which shall be placed a distinctly visible needle-point, which pillar shall be guarded by the like restrictions, and protected by the same penalties, as provided for the management and protection of the pillar provided for in the act to which this is a supplement.

A hair sight to be erected on the meridian standard pillar.

4. SEC. 2. Upon the summit of the meridian standard pillar provided for in the first section of the act to which this is a supplement, there shall be erected a hair-sight, in such a manner that a straight line passing through the centre thereof, and continued until the same shall strike the

centre of the needle-point provided for in the previous section of this act, would be in and upon the line of the true meridian, running north and south.

5. SEC. 3. It shall be furthermore the duty of the board of chosen freeholders in each county to provide and keep a standard measure of one rod in length, by which surveyors of lands in said county may compare, test and verify their several chains; the said standard measure to be kept under the control and in the custody of the county clerk, and to be accessible to all surveyors as aforesaid, under such restrictions and regulations as may be deemed by the said board of chosen freeholders to be compatible with the safety and proper preservation of the said standard measure.

Freeholders to provide and keep a standard measure.

6. SEC. 4. It shall be furthermore the duty of the board of chosen freeholders of each county wherein the pillar provided for by the act to which this is a supplement shall have been erected, to cause to be determined the accurate latitude and longitude of the pillar aforesaid, reckoning the latter from the meridian of Washington, and to have the said latitude and longitude marked, distinctly and legibly, in degrees, minutes, seconds and parts of seconds, on the pillar aforesaid.

Latitude and longitude to be marked on pillar.

7. SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of each and every surveyor engaged in surveying land within any county of this state, to test and note the actual variation of his compass from the true meridian line, at least once in every year, and to deposit a copy of the same, with the date and time of such test, and to deposit a certificate embodying the same with an affidavit verifying its correctness, with the clerk of the county in which he may reside, to be by him recorded in a book provided for that purpose; and every surveyor neglecting or refusing to comply with the provisions of this section shall be liable to the penalty of fifty dollars, to be sued for and recovered, with costs, as debts of like manner are recovered, before any justice of the peace, by the corporation of said county, or by any person, for its use and benefit, to be applied on recovery to such county uses as said corporation shall direct.

Surveyors to test variation.

8. SEC. 6. For recording each certificate of variation, and affidavit of the correctness of the same appended, and for copies or abstracts of the same, and for drawing certificate and seal therefor, the county clerk shall be allowed the same fees as are now allowed by law for similar services in regard to other matters of record in his office, the said fees to be paid by the parties presenting the same for record, or demanding abstracts or copies, or the drawing of said certificate and the affixing of said seal.(1)

Fees of clerk for recording certificate of variation &c.

(1) For supplement relating to counties of Salem and Cumberland, see P. L. 1869, p. 566.

Militia.

I. ORGANIZATION.

1. National guard, how constituted.
2. State rifle corps.
3. Commander in chief to organize national guard.
4. National guard how officered.
5. Brigades, regiments, &c., to be numbered.
6. When company, &c., to be disbanded.

II. ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS.

7. Officers to take rank from date of appointment.
8. Elections to be by ballot.
9. Officers how commissioned.
10. Oath to be taken and subscribed.
11. Resignations how to be made.
12. Commissions when to be void.
13. Vacancies, and of elections to fill them.
14. Proceedings when there is no officer qualified to hold election.
15. Brevet rank of major general authorized.

III. DUTIES OF OFFICERS. ADJUTANT GENERAL.

16. Duties of adjutant general.

IV. QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

17. Each stand of arms to be stamped.
18. Arms and equipments to be furnished national guard.
19. Salary of armorer.

V. SURGEON GENERAL.

20. Duty of surgeon general.

VI. INSPECTOR GENERAL.

21. Duty of inspector general.

VII. DIVISION INSPECTOR.

22. Duty of division inspector.

VIII. BRIGADE INSPECTORS.

23. Duties of the brigade inspectors.

IX. PAYMASTERS.

24. Duty of paymasters. Bond. Oath.
25. Brigade paymasters to keep journal, receive and file vouchers, &c.
26. Regimental and battalion paymasters, dutie of.
27. Fines of delinquents, how collected.