

*An ACT concerning the town of WASHINGTON, in Mason county, and for other purposes.*

(PASSED FEBRUARY 27th, 1797.)

§ 1. *BE it enacted by the general assembly,* That the trustees of the town of Washington, in the county of Mason, and their successors in office, are hereby empowered to levy on the real property within the bounds of said town, any sum not exceeding one hundred pounds per annum, for the purpose of levelling and keeping in repair the streets and alleys, and building a market-house in said town; which sums so levied shall be collected and accounted for in the following manner: The trustees, or a majority of them, shall annually in the month of March appoint three fit persons, either of their own body or others being inhabitants and freeholders in said town, who shall value in current money the real estates therein, which valuation shall be returned to the said trustees, who shall assess and apportion to each person the sum to be paid by each in proportion to such valuation, and the remaining trustees shall value and apportion in like manner the real estates of such persons so appointed. The trustees, or a majority of them, shall have power and authority to appoint annually a collector for the purpose of collecting such sum or sums of money as may be assessed, taking from such collector bond with such security as they shall approve, with penalty in double the sum to be collected, payable to the said trustees and their successors in office, and with a condition for the faithful execution of his office: and the said collector shall have the same powers to collect, have the same allowance for collecting, and be liable to be proceeded against by the said trustees and their successors in the same manner for such money as he shall or ought to collect and does not pay, as sheriffs are entitled and subjected to, with respect to county levies. *And be it further enacted,* That the said trustees shall, in the month of November or December in every year, lay before the county court of the said county, a fair statement of the receipts and disbursements of the money by them received in compliance with this act, and shall transmit the residue in their hands to their successors in office: and in case of default may be proceeded against in the same manner as is herein before directed in the case of a collector.

§ 2. *And be it further enacted,* That whosoever shall be guilty of running or racing horses in the streets or highways, or shooting at marks within the limits of the in-lots of the town of Mayville, in the county of Mason, or of the town of Stanford, in the county of Lincoln, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence, the sum of six shillings; which forfeitures shall be collected in the name of the trustees of said town, and be recovered in the manner sums of like amount are recoverable by law, and shall be applied by the said trustees for keeping the bridges and streets of the said towns in repair.

This act shall commence and be in force from and after the passage thereof.

*Trustees of Washington empowered to levy annually a certain sum to repair the streets, &c.*

*How the money is to be collected and accounted for.*

*A collector to be appointed.*

*Powers of the collector, &c.*

*Trustees to lay their accounts annually before the county courts, &c.*

*Penalty for failure therein.*

*Penalty for racing horses or shooting at marks in the towns of Mayville or Stanford.*