

No. XXIV

PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SUPERINTENDENT OF SEWER AND
THE REGULATING THE USE OF SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS THEREWITH.
SUPERINTENDENT TO BE UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
AND COUNCIL.

Be it ordained by the Chief Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of Millville and is hereby enacted by authority of the same;

Sec. 1. That it shall be the duty of the Town Council immediately after the passage of this ordinance and annually thereafter at their first or second meeting after their election and organization to appoint a Superintendent of all sewers for a term of one year or until his successor be appointed, to superintend the laying of all sewers and connections or ask for instructions from the said Council.

Sec. 2. That whenever any portion of the system of Sewerage of this Borough, constructed under the resolution of the Town Council dated December 4, 1899, and the supplements thereto shall be reported by the Superintendent of sewers as being completed, the Council shall by resolution declare the same open for public use and connections therewith.

Sec. 3. That no connections with said sewer shall be made by any person in any other manner than is provided by this ordinance or amendments hereafter made and the same shall be under and subject to the direction and control of the Superintendent of sewers.

Sec. 4. When the Board of Health shall deem any privy, cesspool or house drain located on any property fronting on any other street on which a public sewer shall have been opened for use, to be a nuisance or a damage to the inhabitants of the house or others in their judgement the said nuisance cannot otherwise be abated the said Board of Health shall direct the Superintendent of sewers to cause written notice to be given the owner or agent having charge of the property or tenant prohibiting the further use of the said privy, etc, and require drainage by connection with the public sewer, in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and upon default of said owner or agent of tenant, after thirty days from the time of such notice he or they shall pay a penalty of not less that One Dollar for each days default.

Sec. 5. That it shall be unlawful to construct an use any cesspool on property fronting on any street, alley or court or any portion thereof intersecting any street on which public sewers shall have been laid, after the same shall have opened for public use.

Sec. 6. The following regulations shall govern the planning of all house drains and house connections with sewers.

Article 1. All connections with the public sewer shall be made by means of a four inch, salt glazed vitrified pipe, which shall extend to not nearer that one foot from the outer wall of the house of building, and below the reach of frost. From thence the house

drain shall be four inch plain or enamel, heavy cast iron pipe, or asphalt coated wrought iron pipe, and shall extend under or through the wall, and from thence upwards as a soil pipe. At least two feet above the roof and open at the top. Accessible for inspections its entire length, with leaded and caulked or rust joints. Traps shall be placed under all openings for discharge into the sewer, between the openings and the soil pipe. As close to the opening as practicable. All traps to be provided with an air inlet pipe of a diameter not less than one inch and a half, and the said inlet may be of lead or iron, and shall be carried to the open air above the roof, or it may be connected with the Soil pipe at a point above all other connections with same.

Article 2. No privy, vault or cesspool shall be connected in any manner with the public sewer, and when ceased to be used they should be cleaned out and filtered with fresh earth.

Article 3. The arrangements and connections of soil and water pipes and traps shall be so left that they may at all times be readily examined and repaired.

Article 4. All water closets, bath tubs wash basins and other fixed receptacles, drained into the sewer shall be effectually safe, any openings in the sewer pipe not to exceed 3/8 inch excepting the water closets. The amount of roof water to be controlled by the Superintendent.

Sec. 7. Drains from factories, breweries, meat preparing and packing establishments, may be connected through a salt glazed vitrified pipe, not exceeding four inches in diameter, with said sewer, for the conveyance of sewage matter and waste water therefrom, but in all connections with such establishments and factories, the owners or operators of the same shall provide suitable and effective traps or catch basin for arresting grease or any substance having a tendency to adhere to or settle in, or clog the pipes.

Sec. 8. Connections may be made with said sewer for the purpose of draining cellars, whenever the same shall be subject to inflow and accumulation of water, and such inflow and accumulation cannot be effectually and economically prevented or the cellars otherwise effectually and economically drained. Provided, however, that the necessity for such connections for cellar drainage shall be determined by the Superintendent of sewers and the same shall be done under his supervision and control. The cellar drain shall be provided with a combined trap and catch basin, to be located by the Superintendent of sewers, which shall be adequate to prevent the passage of soil or silt or other non-soluble matter into the sewer, and the entrance of sewer gas therefrom into the cellar and the said catch-basin shall be effectually ventilated. Provided further that no connection shall be allowed for the drainage of surface water flowing or percolating into any cellar by reason of defective embankments around the outside wall thereof.

Sec. 9. It shall be unlawful for any person to throw or deposit or cause or permit to be thrown or deposited in any vessel or receptacle connected with the public sewer any garbage, hair, ashes, fruit, or vegetables, peelings (Compilers note; Peelings?) or refuse, rags, cotton, cinders, sawdust, greasy water or any other than sewerage matter.

Sec. 10. Before a drain shall be laid from any building and connected with the said sewers, the owner of said building or some person in his behalf shall first make application to the Superintendent of sewers who shall view the premises to be drained

and the plan of the proposed drainage, upon his approval of the same they may be allowed to connect. In opening any street or public way all material for paving or ballasting must be removed with the least possible injury or loss of the same, and together with the excavated material from the trench must be placed where they will cause the least possible inconvenience to the public; as little as practicable of the trench must be dug until the junction piece in the sewer is found, unless it is first determined to make a new opening in the sewer. The least inclination that can be allowed for water closets and kitchens drains of four inches in diameter is one inch in five feet. The back filling over the drains must be puddled or thoroughly tamped within forty-eight hours after the completion of that part of the drain lying within the public highways, and the owner will be held responsible for any subsequent settlement of the ground. All water and gas pipes must be protected from injury or settlement to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of sewers. Every drain laying must inclose any opening which he may make in the public streets or ways, with sufficient barriers and must maintain red lights at the same all night, and must take all other necessary precautions to guard the public effectually against all accidents from the beginning to the end of the work, and can only lay drains on condition that he shall use every precaution against accidents to persons, horses, vehicles, or other property of any kind. The expenses of Superintendent to be borne by parties so directing.

Sec. 11. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of Sewers to prevent the open end of any soil pipe, or ventilating pipe, above the roof as aforesaid, from being located so as to be a nuisance or dangerous to the health of the inmates of adjoining buildings.

Sec. 12. It shall be unlawful for any person to make connections with the sewer pipes laid by the town under and in pursuance of said ordinance or to cut or open into the same, unless it be done under the authority, direction and immediate supervision of the Superintendent of sewers.

Sec. 13. For any violations of any of the provisions of this ordinance for which a penalty is not otherwise provided there shall be a penalty of not less than Two Dollars nor more that Ten Dollars for each offense, and in addition it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of sewers to cause any unlawful connections with the public sewers to be discontinued at the expense of the person offering. The Superintendent shall at all times be under control of the Council.

Sec. 14. Every property which is not taxed as abutting on streets in which sewer is laid shall pay a tappage fee of Ten Dollars before attaching and every property abutting on the streets in which the sewer is laid not having paid Ten Dollars sewerage tax shall pay the difference between tax already paid and Ten Dollars for every property connected with sewer.

Passed Dec. 4. 1899

F. W. Heller, Pres.

Attest H. W. Eves, Sec.

Charles S. Ely, Chief Burgess.

Approved: Dec. 5, 1899.

