

five cents for every day it shall have been impounded, and for every goose the sum of twelve and a half cents, the person impounding may sell or kill the same for his own benefit.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 11, sec. 316.

443. If any person shall be sued for killing any swine, geese or poultry, under either of the three preceding sections, he may plead the general issue, and give the special matter in evidence.

1874, ch. 92. 1874, ch. 420.

444. It shall not be lawful for any person to allow his or her swine to run at large in the roads, streets or alleys, within one-half of a mile of the square in the village of Burkittsville, or in the village of Knoxville, under a penalty to the owner thereof in the sum of fifty cents for each swine found within the said limits.

Ibid.

445. If any person finding any swine going at large within the prescribed limits of the preceding section, shall furnish such information under oath or affirmation, together with the name of the owner, to a justice of the peace in Petersville district, the said justice of the peace shall issue a summons to the owner to appear before him to answer in a plea of trespass; and if it shall appear upon satisfactory proof that the swine of such person charged in the summons has been found within the limits prescribed in the preceding section, the justice of the peace shall render judgment against the owner in the sum prescribed in said section, together with all costs incurred, to be collected as other small debts.

Ibid.

446. It shall be lawful for any person finding swine running at large, in violation of section 444, to impound such swine, and after giving five days' notice by writing, in at least two public places in Burkittsville or Knoxville, he may sell such swine to the highest bidder for cash; and should such swine be claimed by the owner, he shall pay twenty-five cents for every day said swine has been impounded, together with the fine and costs, as prescribed in said section, and in default of payment of the said fine and impounding fee, the said swine may be sold to satisfy the same.