

return therefor; and they shall issue the precepts to, and receive the returns of the assessors, procure the assessment books, and cause the duplicates to be made out and issued to the receiver of taxes, make the returns required by law to the State revenue board, and have the exclusive custody and control of all books relating to the assessments of taxes, and keep them arranged according to wards and dates; and also have the custody and control of the duplicate surveys, when the same shall have been made by the department of surveys, they may issue certificates to show how property has been assessed, to be used with the same effect as the original books of assessment, as evidence in relation to the title of property; they shall report to councils, through the mayor, the aggregate of the assessments on or before the first day of November in each year; the city commissioners of Philadelphia shall exercise none of the powers embraced in this act or the act to which this is a supplement.

"SEC. 3. That the said board of revision are hereby authorized and empowered to issue their precept to the several assessors of the said city and county of Philadelphia, in the year of the triennial assessment and to the assessors of any ward or wards of said city in which they shall deem a new assessment necessary in any subsequent year other than the triennial year, requiring them to return the names of all taxable persons residing within the respective wards and all property taxable by law, together with the just valuation of the same, in the manner now prescribed by law for the triennial assessment; that the said board shall have the power to revise and equalize the assessments prescribed by the first section of the act approved the fourteenth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, to which this is a supplement, in any and every year."

And by the act of April 12th, 1873, P. L. 715 (Purdon, 1821, pl. 4), it was further provided that the Board of