

electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, for delegates to the general assembly of this state, electors of the senate, and sheriffs: And whereas by the constitution of the United States it is provided, that the house of representatives shall be composed of members chosen every second year by the people of the several states, and the electors in each state shall have the qualification requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the state legislature: And whereas it is further provided by the constitution of the United States, that the executive power shall be vested in a president of the United States, that he shall hold his office during the term of four years, and, together with the vice-president, chosen for the same term, be elected as follows: Each state shall appoint, in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct, a number of electors, equal to the whole number of senators and representatives to which the state may be entitled in congress; in order to carry the said provisions into effect, and to reduce into one act the several existing laws on those subjects, therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That for the purpose of electing nine representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, this state shall be and the same is hereby divided into eight districts, which shall be numbered from one to eight, to wit: Saint-Mary's, Charles and Calvert counties, shall be the first; Prince-George's and Anne-Arundel counties, including the city of Annapolis, the second; Montgomery county, and that part of Frederick county adjacent, as far as Monocacy, from the mouth thereof to the Pennsylvania line, the third; the remainder of Frederick county, Washington and Allegany counties, the fourth; Baltimore city and Baltimore county, shall be the fifth; Harford, Cæcil and Kent counties, the sixth; Queen-Anne's, Caroline and Talbot counties, the seventh; and Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester counties, the eighth district; and that each of the said districts shall be entitled to one representative to congress, except the fifth district, which district shall be entitled to two representatives, one of which shall be a resident of Baltimore county, and the other a resident of Baltimore city.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That for the purpose of choosing eleven electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, this state shall be and the same is hereby divided into nine districts, which shall be numbered from one to nine, in manner following, to wit: Saint-Mary's county, Charles county, and the fifth election district of Prince-George's county, shall compose the first district; the residue of Prince-George's county, Calvert county, and the third and fourth election districts in Montgomery county, shall compose the second district; the remainder of Montgomery county, Anne-Arundel county, and the city of Annapolis and city of Baltimore, shall compose the third district; Frederick county, Washington county and Allegany county, shall compose the fourth district; Baltimore county shall compose the fifth district; Harford county and Cæcil county shall compose the sixth district; Kent county and Queen-Anne's county shall compose the seventh district; Talbot county, Caroline county, and the first election district of Dorchester county, shall compose the eighth district; and the remainder of Dorchester county, Somerset county and Worcester county, shall compose the ninth district; and each of the said districts shall elect one person, being a resident of the said district, except the third and fourth districts, which shall each be entitled to two electors, residents of the respective districts, as an elector or electors, as the case may be, for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the sheriffs of the several counties in this state respectively, under the penalty of fifty dollars, at least three weeks previous to every election regulated by this act, shall cause public notice to be given within their respective counties, by advertisements set up at the most public places within each district of the county, of the time and place of holding the several elections aforesaid.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the respective sheriffs shall, under the penalty of five hundred dollars, provide, or cause to be provided, and delivered to the judge or judges of the election in each district, previous to, or at the commencement of, each election, a box for receiving the ballots, and two separate books, for the purpose of entering the voters names.

VI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices of the levy courts respectively shall, between the first Monday of April and the first Monday of August next, appoint three persons for each election district, resident therein, who, or a majority or any one of whom, in case of the nonattendance of the other two, shall be judges or judge of the election for such district, from the time of their appointment until a new appointment; and the said court shall, every year thereafter, between the first Monday of April and the first Monday of August, appoint judges as aforesaid in each election district, for holding elections therein until displaced by a new appointment; and the said judges, or