

Baltimore; one of these commissioners shall be a resident and shall have resided at least _____ years next preceding his election in a district to be composed of the counties of Montgomery, Howard, Anne Arundel, Calvert, St. Mary's, Charles and Prince George's; one of these commissioners shall reside at the time of his election, and shall have been a resident at least _____ years next preceding his election, in a district composed of the city of Baltimore; and the other commissioner shall reside at the time of his election, and shall have been a resident at least _____ years next preceding his election, of a district to be composed of the counties of Harford, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester.

Art. 3rd, The said commisssoners shall be elected by the qualified voters of their several districts respectively, the returns of their election shall be returned and certified to the Governor, who shall, by proclamation, declare the result of the election. Two of said commissioners shall hold their office for _____ years, and the other two for _____ years from the first Monday of December next, succeeding their elections; and at their first meeting after their election, or as soon thereafter as practicable, they shall determine by lot, who of their number shall hold their offices for _____ years respectively, and thereafter then shall be elected as aforesaid at each general election of Delegates two commissioners for the term of _____ years, to be taken from the district respectively wherein the two commissioners resided at the time of their election, whose term of service has expired, and in case of a vacancy in the office of either of said commissioners by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall fill the same until the next general election, and in case of an equal division in the Board of said commissioners, on any subject committed to their charge, the Treasurer of the State shall have power, and shall be called upon to decide the same."

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The report of committee No. 14, creating a Board of Public Works, was made the special order of the day for Thursday next.

Mr. Jacobs, chairman of the committee on the Free Negro Population of this State, submitted the following

REPORT:

The select committee, raised by order of the Convention on the 4th December last, to whom was referred the subject of the free colored population of this State, were also required to report specifically "their actual numbers in the State, at the several census' of the United States down to, and including that just returned; their annual increase; the numbers that have been colonized in Africa; the amount of colonization taxes, and to what purposes applied; together with such laws as had a particular reference to that class of our population."

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