

of congressmen, senator, delegate, or other officer or officers, then to entitle a person to vote for such officer, he must have been a resident of that part of the county or city which shall form a part of the electoral district in which he offers to vote, for six months next preceding the election; but a person who shall not have acquired a residence in such county or city, entitling him to vote at any such election, shall be entitled to vote in the election district from which he removed, until he shall have acquired a residence in the part of the county or city to which he has removed.

Sec. 2. No person who has at any time been in armed rebellion against the government of the United States or the lawful authorities thereof, or who has been in any way or manner in the service of the so-called "Confederate States of America," shall ever thereafter be entitled to vote at any election to be held in this State, or to hold any office of honor, profit or trust under the laws thereof, unless such person has been pardoned by the President of the United States, and has fully complied with the requisitions of said pardon.

Sec. 3. If any person shall give or offer to give directly or indirectly, any bribe, present, or reward, or any promise, or any security for the payment, or delivery of money or any other thing to induce any voter to refrain from casting his vote, or forcibly to prevent him in any way from voting, or to procure a vote for any candidate or person proposed or voted for as elector of President and Vice-President of the United States, or representative in Congress, or for any office of profit or trust created by the Constitution or laws of this State, or by the ordinances or authority of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, the person giving or offering to give, and the person receiving the same, and any person who gives or causes to be given an illegal vote knowing it to be such at any election to be hereafter held in this State, shall on conviction in a court of law, in addition to the penalties now or hereafter to be imposed by law, be forever disqualified to hold any office of profit or trust or to vote at any election thereafter.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the general assembly to pass laws to punish with fine and imprisonment any person who shall remove into any election district or precinct of any ward of the city of Baltimore, not for the purpose of acquiring a bona fide residence therein, but for the purpose of voting at an approaching election, or who shall vote in any election district or ward in which he does not reside, (except in the case provided for in the first article of the Constitution) or shall at the same election vote in more than one election district or precinct, or shall vote or offer to vote in any name not his own, or in place of any other person of the same name,

or shall vote in any county in which he does not reside.

Sec. 5. Every person elected or appointed to any office of trust or profit under the constitution or laws made pursuant thereto, before he shall enter upon the duties of such office shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: I ——— do swear (or affirm, as the case may be,) that I will support the constitution of the United States, and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the United States and to the State of Maryland, and support the constitution and laws thereof, and that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of ——— according to the constitution and laws of this State, and that since the adoption of the present constitution, I have not in any manner violated the provisions thereof in relation to bribery of voters or preventing legal or procuring illegal votes to be given; (and if a governor, senator, member of the house of delegates or judge,) that I will not directly or indirectly receive the profits or any part of the profits of any other office during the time of my acting as ———. I do further swear that I will support the constitution of the United States, and will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the United States and the government thereof, and to the State of Maryland, any law or ordinance of any State to the contrary notwithstanding, and that I have never, either directly or indirectly, by word, act or deed, given any aid, comfort or encouragement to those in rebellion against the government of the United States or the lawful authorities thereof; and all this I swear voluntarily, without any, the least, mental equivocation, reservation or qualification whatsoever, so help me God. And if any person elected or appointed to office as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to take the said oath or affirmation, he shall be considered as having refused to accept the said office, and a new election or appointment shall be made as in case of refusal or resignation, and any person swearing or affirming falsely in the premises, shall, on conviction thereof in a court of law incur the penalties for wilful and corrupt perjury, and be thereafter incapable of voting at any election, and also incapable of holding any office of profit or trust in this State.

Sec. 6. That no person above the age of twenty-one years, convicted of larceny or other infamous crime, unless he shall be pardoned by the executive, shall ever thereafter be entitled to vote at any election in this State, and no person under guardianship as a lunatic, or a person non compos mentis, shall be entitled to vote.

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