

or owners, shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars, the same shall be recovered in the same manner as other small debts are now by law recovered.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

AN ACT to abolish the Levy Court and Commissioners of the Tax for Anne Arundel County, and for other purposes.—1828, ch. 21.

SEC. 1. The governor and council directed to appoint, annually, seven persons, to be styled commissioners for Anne Arundel county, who were substituted for the levy court and commissioners of the tax. By 1838, ch. 273, the commissioners are to be elected by the people.

Commis-
sioners to
take an
oath.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That every commissioner appointed as aforesaid, shall, before he enters on the duties of his office, take and subscribe, before some judge or justice of the peace, an oath, or affirmation, that he will faithfully, diligently and impartially, exercise the powers, and perform the duties, of commissioners for Anne Arundel county, as authorized and enjoined by law, according to the best of his skill and judgment, without being influenced by favour, affection, hatred, malice or ill will, and that he will, in making all appointments to office, vote for such persons, among those willing to accept, as in his judgment and belief shall be most capable and best qualified to perform the duties of such office, which oath shall be recorded in a book to be kept among the records of Anne Arundel county court.

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SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners appointed as aforesaid, and their successors, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title, of the commissioners for Anne Arundel county, and by that name shall have continued and perpetual succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, of making and using a corporate seal, and of altering the same, of taking, holding, selling and conveying, all kinds of estates, property and effects, and of doing all such acts as shall be necessary to the exercise of all the powers which are or shall be vested in them by this act, or by any other act of assembly, as fully and effectually as corporate bodies may or can lawfully and rightfully do.

Powers of
levy court
vested in
commis-
sioners.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That when and as soon as the commissioners to be appointed as aforesaid, shall have taken and subscribed the oath, or affirmation, herein before described, all the powers, rights and privileges, lawfully exercised by, and all property, estates and effects, vested in the justices of the levy court of Anne Arundel county, shall be transferred to, and vested in, the commissioners for Anne Arundel county, who, or any four of them, shall thereafter exercise all the powers, rights and privileges, and shall perform all the duties required by the existing laws to be performed by the said justices of the levy court of Anne Arundel county, and no appointment for justices