Appointment of registers of voters.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall, on or before the first day of May, in each and every year, appoint three discreet persons in each of the wards of the city of Baltimore, residents in the respective wards for which they shall be appointed, who shall be called the registers of voters within the city of Baltimore, and who shall serve for one year from the date of their commissions, and until successors shall be appointed, and who shall receive for compensation two dollars per day, for every day

Their compensation.

Clerks.

on which they may be actually engaged in the discharge of the duties of their office, and the said registers shall be, and they are hereby authorized to appoint a clerk for each of their several wards, to aid them in making a clear and perfect registry of the legal voters of the said ward, and the said clerks shall receive for such service, from the said city of Baltimore, two

Their compensation.

dollars for every day they shall be so employed; and the said compensation of said registers and clerks shall be raised as the other expenses of elections in said city are raised by tax or otherwise.

Oath of registers and clerks.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That before entering on the duties of their respective offices, and on the day on which they shall first enter on the discharge of said duties, the said registers and their clerks, and the judges of all elections in said city and their clerks respectively, shall solemnly swear or affirm, that they will faithfully and honestly perform the duties of their respective offices, and observe, in all things, the requirements of the constitution of the United States, and the state of Maryland, and the laws of the general assembly of Maryland in relation to elections, in conducting said registry or election, and any justice of the peace for said city shall be competent to administer said oath or affirmation, and it shall be the duty of any

Penalty for refusing to administer.

such justice of the peace, on being applied to by said registers or judges of election, to administer said oath or affirmation under a fine of one hundred dollars.

Sit to register votes.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said registers, or a majority of them, to sit at some public and convenient place within the limits of their several wards, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays of every week, from the first Monday of August to the third Wednesday in September, inclusive, in each and every year, for the purpose of registering the names of voters, who may apply to be registered, the said registers in each ward to cause to be inserted in all the daily papers of the city of Baltimore, which will insert it, a notice of the times and places in each ward, when and at which the said votes will be registered, and to cause notice to be given by placing handbills at such public places as they shall select, the first notice to be published in the said daily papers, or in as many of the said

Publication of notice.

Handbills.