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coroner or justice of the peace on an inquest, in the city and county of Baltimore, shall be entitled to, or receive any fee or compensation for his services, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

This repeals the 3d section of 1821, ch 243, so far as it relates to the city and county of Baltimore.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

AN ACT to provide for electing Commissioners for Baltimore County, and prescribing their powers and duties.—1826, ch. 217.

Commis-
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be elected,
&c.; vacan-
cies.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the persons qualified to vote for delegates to the general assembly in Baltimore county, at the time and places of election in said county, on the first Monday in October next, shall vote by ballot, for three persons having the same qualifications as are required for delegates to the general assembly, to be commissioners for Baltimore county; and the judges of election for each district in the said county, or a majority of them, shall certify, under their hands, and return in a form and manner similar to their certificates and return of other elections, the number of votes given in their respective districts for commissioners as aforesaid; and the judges from the several election districts, when met at the court-house of the said county to ascertain and certify the election of delegates, shall in like manner ascertain the whole number of votes given for each person as commissioner; and the said judges shall, by a certificate to be filed with the clerk of Baltimore county court, and by him recorded, certify in a form similar to the certificate of the election of delegates, that the three persons by name, being duly qualified, who they shall ascertain to have received the greatest number of votes, are duly elected commissioners for Baltimore county; and the said judges shall also state in the said certificate the number of votes received by each person elected, of whom the highest in votes shall be entitled to serve three years, the next highest two years, and the lowest in votes one year, and their places respectively shall be supplied by the annual election of one commissioner in like manner, and with the same qualifications, to serve three years; and if any commissioner shall die, resign, refuse or neglect, for twenty days, to take the oath of office, or remove from the county, the governor and council shall appoint a properly qualified person to fill his place until the time of the next annual election, when a person shall be elected to serve the residue of his term, if any, in addition to the commissioner to be annually elected.

By 1835, ch. 28, the number of commissioners is increased; they are distributed to the election districts, their period of service is limited, and the mode of supplying vacancies in the board is pointed out, and this law was again modified by 1838, ch. 201.