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 person 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 Saint Mary's county court.

Board incorporated.

Recorded.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That the commissioners elected or 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 of Saint Mary's county, and by that name shall have continued succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, of making and using a corporate seal, and of doing all such acts as shall be necessary to the exercise of all 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, rights and duties of levy court transferred to them.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted, That when and as soon as the commissioners to be elected or 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, estate and effects vested in the justices of the levy court of Saint Mary's county, shall be transferred to and vested in the commissioners for Saint Mary's county, who, or a majority of them, shall thereafter exercise all the said powers, rights and privileges, and shall perform all the duties required to be performed by the said justices of the levy court of Saint Mary's county, and no appointment of justices of the levy court of Saint Mary's county shall thereafter be made.

Per diem,

SEC. 10. And be it enacted, That each of the said commistwo dollars. sioners shall be entitled to receive two dollars per day, for every day he shall necessarily attend to the duties of his office.

SEC. 11. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners,

Authorized to make this levy at any time.

shall and may at any time during each and every year, make, complete, and close their levy, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; and that all suits at law, and in equity, which may be pending at the time of the passage of this act, by or against the justices of the levy court of said county, shall be carried on in like manner, and have the same legal effect,

Suits, &c. continued.

> either in favour of or against the commissioners provided for by this act, as if such suit or suits had been instituted by or against the said commissioners. -

Acts inconsistent herewith repealed.

SEC. 12. And be it enacted, That so much of any acts of assembly, as may be contrary to, or inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.