

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

AN ACT to abolish the Commissioners of the Tax and Levy Court of Worcester County, provide for the election of Commissioners for said County by the people, and to prescribe their duties.—1838, ch. 96.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* Levy court abolished. That from and after the passage of this act, the levy court of Worcester county, be and the same is hereby abolished.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That John Williams, Sr. James Powell, William H. Merrill, Littleton Bowen, James Fooks of D., John Fassett, Sr. and William Showell, who constitute the present levy court of Worcester county, be, and they are hereby created a board of commissioners, who shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties heretofore required to be performed by the levy court of said county, until the election of county commissioners herein after provided for. Their powers conferred on commissioners until an election.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That Worcester county shall be divided into three commissioners' districts, for the purpose of electing commissioners for said county; that the first shall be composed of the districts now known as the first, second and seventh election districts, which shall elect two commissioners; and the second shall be composed of the districts now known as the third and fourth election districts, which shall elect two commissioners, and the third shall be composed of the districts now known as the fifth, sixth, and eighth election districts, which shall elect one commissioner, which said commissioners when so elected, shall succeed to all the rights, privileges and immunities of the present levy court of said county. Divided into three commissioners' districts. 1st district, two commissioners. 2d district, two commissioners. 3d district, one commissioner. Their powers.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the mode and manner of electing the said commissioners for Worcester county, shall be as follows: the voters of each election district who are now, or may be at the time of election, qualified to vote for members of the house of delegates of Maryland, shall on the first Wednesday of October, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, and at the same time every three years thereafter, vote at their respective place of voting, as already provided for by law, for such person or persons, possessing the qualifications hereafter required, as the commissioners' district of which said voters may be resident, shall be entitled to, according to the provisions of this act, herein before prescribed. Election, October, 1839. Tri-annually thereafter.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That in addition to the qualifications now requisite to be eligible to a seat in the house of delegates of Maryland, the person voted for as commissioners, to be entitled to said office shall have resided for at least one year immediately preceding the election in the commissioners' district in which said election is held. Qualification for commissioner.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted,* That the judges of elections for each election district in said county, or a majority of them, Mode of conducting