

the elec-
tions.

shall certify under their hands, and return in a form and man-
ner similar to their certificates and return of the election of
delegates aforesaid, the number of votes given in their said
respective districts for a commissioner or commissioners, afore-
said, as the case may require ; and the judges from the several
election districts in said county, when met at the court-house
of the said county to ascertain and certify the elections of dele-
gates, as aforesaid, shall ascertain the number of votes given
as aforesaid, for commissioners as aforesaid, in the said election
districts respectively, and by a certificate, to be filed in the
office of the clerk of the county court of the said county, and
which shall be by said clerk recorded, certify in a form similar
to the certificate of the election of delegates, that the five per-
sons by name, residents, as is by this act herein before pre-
scribed, of the three commissioners' districts by this act created,
who they shall ascertain received the greatest number of votes
in the commissioners' district, in which they reside, are duly
elected commissioners for Worcester county, to serve for the
period of three years from the date of their said election ; and
in the event of a tie between two or more persons, the same
shall be decided by ballot, at the first regular meeting of said
commissioners.

Return
certificate.

Case of a
tie.

Case of
vacancy.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That if any commissioner so
elected, shall die, resign, refuse, or neglect for twenty days to
qualify as commissioner, under this act, or shall remove from
the said county, at any time within the period for which he
shall have been elected, the residue of the said commissioners
shall appoint a person qualified as is herein before provided in
case of an original election, to fill his place until the next an-
nual election for delegates to the general assembly, when the
said voters of the district in which such commissioner so dying,
resigning, refusing, neglecting to qualify, or removing from the
county as aforesaid, was elected, shall vote in like manner as
at first, for another person with like qualifications, as such com-
missioner, to serve for the residue of his said term.

Mode of
supplying.

Oath of
office.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That every commissioner elected
or 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, dili-
gently and impartially exercise the powers and perform the
duties of commissioner for Worcester 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 person or 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