an annual salary of two thousand dollars, payable quarterly by the Register of said city; provided, that before entering upon the duties of his office, the person appointed Coroner shall take the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution of the State of Maryland for office-holders; and further, shall give a bond to the State of Maryland, with security to be approved by the Judge of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, in the penalty of five thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as now prescribed by law, or which shall hereafter be prescribed.

Deputy.

152. In case of the absence or illness of the Coroner, he shall deputize some competent person to attend to the duties of the office during his absence or illness, whose fees shall be directed by the Coroner, out of whose salary such fees shall be paid.

Duties.

153. The Coroner shall hold an inquest over any person found dead in said city, when the manner and cause of death shall not be already known as accidental or in the course of nature; no Coroner's jury in said city shall receive any fee or compensation for services as such, and said Coroner is hereby authorized and empowered to issue his certificate to the Register of Baltimore city for the payment of such expenses as may be necessary for the interment of any person over whom he has held an inquest, and whose body is not claimed by friends or relatives; provided, the amount of such expenses shall not in any case exceed the sum of seven dollars.

Monthly report.

154. The said Coroner shall make a monthly report to the Police Commissioners of Baltimore city of the number of inquests held by him during the month last passed before said report, with a full description, as far as may be, of the persons who are the subjects of such inquests, their sex, age, color and nationality, the cause and mode of their death, and such other particulars as may be necessary to their identification in case of strangers and unknown persons; he shall also, immediately after holding any inquest, deposit in some bank in Baltimore city, subject to the order of the Judges of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore city, all property, money and other effects found upon