

3. For each new election district that may be formed and established in the several counties, and for each additional ward that may be created in the city of Baltimore, there shall be elected by the legal and qualified voters thereof, at the time for electing justices and constables in the other districts and wards, two justices of the peace and two constables, unless a different number be specially provided by law.

#### EXECUTION OF PROCESS AND COLLECTION OF DEBTS.

4. Every constable shall obey and execute all process directed to him from any justice of the peace concerning any matter, debt or demand between party and party, and all criminal process directed to him from any justice of the peace, and shall return such civil or criminal process according to the command therein contained.

5. If a constable to whom any summons is delivered shall not make return thereof according to the command of the same, it shall be lawful for the justice who issued the said summons, upon application of the plaintiff or his agent or attorney, and proof made of the delivery of the said summons by the confession of the constable or by the oath of the plaintiff, his agent or attorney or any other credible witness, to call such constable before him, and unless a good excuse is offered, fine him for said neglect any sum not exceeding one dollar.

6. He shall serve and levy all executions issued by a justice of the peace in the same manner as the sheriff is authorized to do, but no constable shall summon appraisers in laying a writ of fieri facias or attachment.

7. He shall have full power and authority to serve and execute civil or criminal process, and to do and perform all matters and things appertaining to the duties of his office throughout the county or city in which he shall reside; and the responsibility of constables and the securities on their bonds, shall be co-extensive with their authority to serve and execute process; but nothing herein shall compel any constable to serve or execute civil process beyond the limits of the election district or ward for which he shall be elected or appointed.

8. If any constable shall neglect to make due return of any execution directed to him, the justice who issued the execution,