

36. Every collector, before he acts as such, shall take the following oath: "I, —— collector of ——, do swear that I will well and truly execute the duties imposed upon me by law, and that I will justly and impartially value all property which I shall be authorized to value according to the best of my skill and judgment;" which oath may be administered by any justice of the county or city, and shall be filed with the County Commissioners, or Register of the city of Baltimore, as the case may be.

37. If any collector shall fail to give bond, as herein required, within twenty days after his appointment, the County Commissioners or Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, as the case may be, shall immediately appoint another in his place, and shall continue after every twenty days to make such appointment, until a collector shall bond.

38. The clerks of the County Commissioners and the Register of the city of Baltimore shall annually, on or before the twentieth day of April, inform the Governor whether there is in their several counties, and the said city, a duly appointed and qualified collector or collectors of the State taxes.

39. If there be no collector of State taxes appointed and qualified in any of the counties or the said city, by the first day of May in any year, the Governor shall appoint from any part of the State a collector or collectors for the said county or city, who shall give bond, with a surety or sureties to be approved by the Governor or some judge of the said county or city, and to be recorded, and be in all respects on a footing with other collectors' bonds, and a copy thereof certified by the clerk in whose office the same is recorded, shall by the said clerk be forthwith transmitted to the Comptroller; and the said collectors shall have all the powers of other collectors.

40. If any collector, appointed under the last preceding section, shall fail to give bond within thirty days, the Governor shall appoint another in his place, and so on, after every interval of thirty days, until a collector shall qualify.

41. A separate collector may be appointed to collect the State taxes in any of the counties, or the city of Baltimore; and if so appointed, shall give bond as hereinbefore required.