

807\*. The following persons, to wit: Charles Howard, William H. Gatchell, Charles D. Hinks, and John W. Davis, of the city of Baltimore, are hereby appointed the first commissioners under this article, and so soon as they shall have been qualified by taking and subscribing to the oaths or affirmations hereinbefore mentioned, they shall divide themselves into two equal classes, to be determined by lot, and the two who shall be drawn of the first class, shall serve from the time of their appointment until the end of two years from and after the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty, and until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified; and the two who shall be drawn of the second class, shall serve from the time of their appointment until the end of four years from and after the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty, and until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified; when the division into classes as herein prescribed shall have taken place, notice thereof shall be at once given to the Governor by the commissioners, in writing, to be filed in the State department.

808\*. The duties of the Board of Police hereby created shall be as follows: they shall, at all times of the day and night, within the boundaries of the city of Baltimore, as well on water as on land, preserve the public peace, prevent crime, and arrest offenders; protect the rights of person and property, guard the public health, preserve order at every public election and at all public meetings and places, and on all public occasions; prevent and remove nuisances in all streets, highways, waters and other places; provide a proper police force at every fire, for the protection of firemen and property; protect strangers, emigrants and travellers, at steam boat and ship landings and railway stations; see that all laws relating to elections and to the observance of Sunday, and regarding pawn-brokers, gambling, intemperance, lotteries and lottery policies, vagrants, disorderly persons, slaves and free negroes, and the public health, are enforced; and also enforce all laws and all ordinances of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, not inconsistent with the provisions of this article or any other law of the State, which may be properly enforceable by a police force; in case they shall have reason to believe that any persons within said city intend to commit any breach of the peace, or violation of law or order, beyond the city limits, upon the Chesapeake Bay, or any river, creek, or other place on land or water, within this State, it shall also be their duty to cause such persons to be followed, and to take the most effectual measures for the suppression and prevention of