

74. The said clerk shall also execute a bond to the State of Maryland, approved by said commissioners, in the penalty of one thousand dollars, for the true and faithful performance of the duties of his office, which bond shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for said county.

75. He shall receive annually as a compensation for his services such sum as the commissioners may deem proper, not exceeding two hundred dollars.

ELECTIONS.

76. Queen Anne's county is divided into five election districts, according to their present bounds and limits, and all elections for public officers shall be held in each of said election districts at the place now established by law for that purpose.

FENCES.

77. Whenever joint fences have or may be established in said county, for the mutual advantage of different owners or possessors of adjoining lands, each shall keep up in good repair his or their respective proportion thereof, in the manner following, that is to say: all post and rail or plank fences shall be at least four feet and a half high, and all worm or other fences shall be at least five feet high, the distance in every case to be computed from the ground or base of any embankment on which the same may be placed.

78. If either of the parties making or keeping a joint fence, shall refuse or delay to repair his proportion thereof within twenty days after notice in writing given to him, his agent or overseer, upon proof thereof before a justice of the peace, the said justice may, under his hand and seal, authorize the party aggrieved to repair said fence, and for so doing, he shall be reimbursed all costs and reasonable expenses necessarily incurred, to be recovered from the party so refusing and delaying, in the manner debts of like amount are recoverable, and he shall have a lien on the adjacent land or farm of the person who shall have refused or delayed to make and repair said fence, so as to secure the reimbursement of the costs and expenses of such making or repairing, in the event of the transfer of said land; *Provided*, that proceedings to enforce such lien be commenced by the party, his or their representative, within two years next after such repair shall have been done.