

and having resided in the ward wherein they offer to vote, six months next preceding the election, shall annually on the last Monday of February, elect one member for the Common Council of said city.

Residence of voters.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

In force.

Approved April 4, 1870.

CHAPTER 403.

AN ACT to amend Article thirty-six of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Estrays," by adding an additional Section thereto, as Section twelve.

SECTION 12. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the following Section be added to Article thirty-six of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Estrays," viz: If any cattle, hogs, horses or sheep, trespassing upon the enclosures of any person in this State, be distrained, *damage feasant*, the owner of which is known, and the owner or owners thereof do not tender compensation for the damage sustained by such person within five days next after such distress taken, and notice thereof given, with the cause of taking, to the owner or his agent, or left at his residence, in the event of his absence, and having no known agent, then the person so distraining may apply to a Justice of the Peace of the county, who, upon being satisfied that the notice hereinbefore directed has been given, shall order him to sell the same at public sale on ten days' notice, to be set up at three of the most public places in the neighborhood, and if the said Justice shall deem it proper, to be inserted in any newspaper published in such county; and such distrainer, upon such order, with the sheriff or constable of the county, shall cause the animals distrained to be appraised by two appraisers, to be sworn by such sheriff or constable, and may sell the same for the best price that can be gotten towards satisfaction;

Estrays.

Distraining.

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