

CHAP. 154. the backs of each ticket, and return the whole tickets so examined and endorsed back to the managers, who may thereupon, without delay, proceed to sell and dispose of said tickets.

All lotteries may be drawn in Baltimore—and how, &c

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all lotteries authorised by this state shall be drawn in the city of Baltimore, if desired by the managers thereof, or the persons authorised by law to propose such lottery, and if they prefer it, to superintend the same, or procure others with the assent of said commissioners so to do, and the said commissioners shall within three months after their first appointment, publish a list of all lotteries authorised by law, and which have not been drawn as herein before declared, arranging them in the order in which the acts authorising them were passed in point of time, publish the same for one month in the several newspapers in the city of Baltimore, and said lotteries shall be drawn under the direction of said commissioners, and as is herein provided, in the same order as the commissioners shall so have classed them, except those herein before excepted(-); and if the managers of the lottery so first entitled to be drawn in point of time, shall not within two months thereafter present to said commissioners a scheme of said lottery, for their approval, the right of said managers to draw said lottery shall be wholly forfeited, and they shall not be permitted or allowed to proceed in the execution of the law authorising such lottery; and if after any such scheme shall have been presented and approved by said commissioners, the said managers shall not require said commissioners to proceed to draw the same within four months thereafter, the right to draw said lottery shall in like manner be wholly forfeited, and the managers shall return the money, on demand, to those who have purchased tickets; and upon such forfeiture of right to draw any such lottery in either of the above cases, the commissioners shall forthwith give notice in two or more newspapers printed in Baltimore to the managers of the next lottery entitled to be drawn, and if the managers of such next lottery shall omit to present a scheme, or proceed to draw as is herein before stated, the like forfeiture of right shall take place, and the said commissioners shall then notify as aforesaid the managers of the next lottery entitled to draw, and in succession the managers of each succeeding lottery, in the order in which they are entitled to draw, until all the lotteries aforesaid, authorised by law to be drawn, shall either be forfeited in the manner herein before provided for, or shall have been drawn.

(a) By 1818, ch. 212, the Washington Monument Lottery is exempted from the delay in the time of drawing imposed by this act.

By 1818, ch. 179, if the managers of any lottery shall not, on or before the 1st of March 1820, signify to the commissioners, in writing, their wishes to have the said lottery drawn, whenever their right to draw shall come in rotation, the right of said managers to draw said lottery to be wholly forfeited.

Commissioners to examine numbers, &c—to have care of wheels

7. AND BE IT ENACTED, That so soon as the managers of any lottery approved as aforesaid, shall notify the commissioners that they are ready with the numbers, prizes and blanks, it shall be the duty of the commissioners to appoint a time at their office, or some other suitable place, to examine all said numbers, blanks and prizes, and to superintend the preparing of the same, and putting them into the wheels, and after the commencement of preparing the said numbers, blanks and prizes, until the completion of the drawing, the said commissioners shall have the care, possession and