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time and places for holding the election for delegates to the next general assembly, vote for five persons, qualified citizens of Talbot county, one of whom to be resident in Saint-Michael's district, two resident in the Easton district, one to be resident in the Chapel district, and one in the Trappe district, having the same qualifications as are or shall be required for delegates to the general assembly, to be styled Commissioners for Talbot county: and the judges of elections for each district, or a majority of them, shall certify under their hands, and return in form or manner similar to their certificates and return of the election of delegates as aforesaid, the number of votes given in the said districts for each commissioner, and when met at the court-house in Talbot county to ascertain and certify the number of votes given as aforesaid for commissioners by the returning judges, a certificate to be made out and filed by the said returning judges of elections, in a form and similar to the certificates of the election of delegates, to be delivered to the clerk of the county court, whose duty it shall be to record the same, that the persons by name residing in the respective election districts, whom they shall ascertain to have received, as commissioners, the greatest number of votes as commissioner for the district designated by their votes, in the districts where they shall reside, are duly elected commissioners to serve for the period of three years from the date of their said election, and that the persons so elected shall, out of their own body, elect their president; and if any commissioner so elected, shall die, resign, refuse, or neglect for twenty days to qualify as commissioner under this act, or shall remove from the county at any time within the period for which he shall have been elected, the remaining commissioners shall appoint a person qualified as is herein before provided as in case of an original election, to fill his place, until the next annual election for delegates to the general assembly, when a person shall be elected, a resident within the said election district where such commissioner so dying, resigning, refusing, neglecting to qualify, or removing from the county as aforesaid, was elected, shall vote in like manner as at first provided by this act, for another person with like qualifications, to serve for the residue of his term.

To take an
oath.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That every commissioner elected or appointed as aforesaid, shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe before some judge or justice of the peace of his county, an oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will faithfully, diligently and impartially, exercise the powers and perform the duties of a commissioner, as authorised and enjoined by law, according to the best of his skill and judgment,