

be by the collector delivered or tendered to the purchaser whose right in the property so purchased shall thenceforth cease and determine.

SEC. 245. There shall be a health officer appointed in the same manner as other appointments are made, who shall be a reputable practicing physician whose duty it shall be to have charge of any supervision over all matters of health and health regulations, within the town and he shall receive such salary or compensation as the Mayor and City Council shall fix.

SEC. 246. It shall be the duty of every physician residing and practicing medicine within the town of Laurel to make a return to the Collector of all births and deaths; and also of all contagious and infectuous diseases and report the same to the practicing physicians in said town, and the said Collector shall also keep a record thereof in a well-bound book or books to be provided for the said purposes. The said Collector shall issue burial permits, and no burial or interment shall take place within the town limits until a permit for the same has been issued by the said Collector.

SEC. 246½. All ordinances and resolutions of the Mayor and City Council of Laurel shall remain in force and have the same legal effect as when enacted, the intention being not to repeal by any provision hereof any of the said ordinances, unless they be in conflict herewith.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from date of its passage.

Approved April 11, 1912.

CHAPTER 696.

AN ACT providing for the registration of all births and deaths within the State of Maryland and defining the duties of the State Board of Health and the State Registrar of Vital Statistics and providing for the appointment of county registrars, local registrars and deputy local registrars, defining their duty and fixing their compensation, and providing for the issuance of birth and death certificates and burial permits, and providing penalties for the violation of this act, and making an appropriation to carry the provisions of this act into effect by adding certain additional sections to Article 43 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Health," sub-title "State Registrar of Vital Statis-