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ARTICLE 22.

CORONERS.1

- 1. Shall give bond; penalty; condition.
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- 4. Attendance of a physician at inquest.
- Penalty for refusal of physician to attend.
- 6. Physician's fee.
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- 8. When, shall act in place of sheriff.

An. Code, sec. 1. 1904, sec. 1. 1888, sec. 1. 1824, ch. 145, sec. 1.

Every coroner, before he acts as such, shall, within sixty days after his appointment, and in each year thereafter, give bond to the State of Maryland, with securities approved by the judges of the orphans' court, or some of them, in the penalty of three thousand dollars, with a condition that he will well and truly execute the office of coroner in all things thereunto belonging, and shall also well and faithfully execute and return all writs or other process to him directed; and shall also pay and deliver to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, all sums of money, all goods and chattels by him levied, seized or taken agreeably to the directions of the writ or other process under which the same shall have been levied, seized or taken; and shall also keep and detain in safe custody all and every person committed to his custody or by him taken in execution, or who shall be committed for the want of bail, without suffering them to escape or depart from his custody, and shall also satisfy and pay all judgments which shall be rendered against him as coroner, and shall also well and truly execute and perform the several duties required of or imposed upon him by the laws of this State; and the said bond shall, immediately after the execution thereof, be recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for the county in which he is coroner, or in the office of the clerk of the superior court of Baltimore city, if he is coroner in said city.

An. Code, sec. 2. 1904, sec. 2. 1888, sec. 2. 1813, ch. 102. 1823, ch. 180. 1829, ch. 39. 1840, ch. 216. 1842, ch. 272. 1845, ch. 123.

2. The provisions of this code in relation to the return of process in the hands of a sheriff, upon his death or removal, shall apply to process in the hands of a coroner upon the happening of the like event.

An. Code, sec. 3. 1904, sec. 3. 1888, sec. 3. 1831, ch. 250, sec. 1.

3. No coroner shall summon or hold any jury of inquest over the body of any deceased person where it is known that the deceased came to his

¹ As to the fees of coroners and coroner's jurors, see art. 36, secs. 17 and 18. As to the lunacy commission acting as coroner, see art. 59, sec. 35. See art. 4, sec. 45, of Md. Constitution.