

same month every two years thereafter, for bids from reputable clothing manufacturers to supply uniforms to members of the Police Department. The Police Commissioner shall prepare such specifications and conduct the bidding under such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary. The contract for furnishing uniforms shall be awarded within two weeks from the date of the receipt of the bids to the lowest responsible bidder, and shall be for a term of two years from the date of the award. The Police Commissioner shall arrange for the payment by members of the Department of the amounts due on uniforms in semi-monthly instalments, provided that no member of the Department below the rank of sergeant shall be required to pay more than \$2.00 every pay-day. The articles for which the Police Commissioner may contract as herein provided shall include coats, dress-coats, overcoats, blouses, trousers, vests, hats, caps and all other articles of wearing apparel which are properly a part of the uniform and no other.

The Police Commissioner shall cause a list of all articles of clothing contracted for, together with the price of each, to be posted in a conspicuous place in each station-house in Baltimore City.

P. L. L. (1860), Art. 4, sec. 816. 1867, ch. 367. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 729.

748. It shall be the duty of the Sheriff of Baltimore City, whenever called on for that purpose by said Commissioner, to act under his control for the preservation of the public peace and quiet, and if ordered by him to do so, he shall summon the *posse comitatus* for that purpose, and hold and employ such *posse*, subject to his discretion in case the said Commissioner shall deem it necessary; he shall call out such military force, lawfully organized or existing in said city, as he may see fit, to aid him in preventing threatened disorder or opposition to the laws, or in suppressing insurrection, riot or disorder, on election days, and at all other times; and it shall be the duty of said military force so called out, to obey such orders as may be given them by said Commissioner; whenever the exigency or circumstances may in his judgment, warrant it, the said Commissioner shall have the power to assume the control and command of all conservators of the peace in the City of Baltimore, whether sheriffs, constables, police or others, and they shall act under the orders of the said Commissioner, and not otherwise; and in case of the refusal of the said sheriff, or any policeman, constable, or other peace officer or persons, to obey any lawful command of said Commissioner under the provisions of this section, they shall, respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable as in such cases made and provided; and any officer of any military force in the City of Baltimore, organized under any law now existing, or which may hereinafter be enacted by the General Assembly of this State, who, upon being called on by the said Commissioner as aforesaid, shall refuse or wilfully fail to call out the force under his command, or to obey the orders of the said Commissioner, or to enforce by all lawful means the performance of the duties to said force assigned; and any inferior officer or private who shall refuse or wilfully fail to obey