

1904, ch. 271, sec. 327.

442. If any constable shall neglect or refuse to perform his duty as set out in the preceding section, the County Commissioners are hereby directed and commanded to remove such constables from office and nominate and appoint a successor to him who will faithfully perform the duty required.

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443. The constables in their respective districts, as soon as possible after the first day of September in each year, shall canvass thoroughly the districts in order to ascertain the number of dogs or sluts therein, and the owners of the same, and shall make a report of the same to the County Commissioners of Cecil County, and when any person shall pay to them the tax on any dog or slut, they shall register the full name of such person, the sex of the animal and amount of tax paid, in a book to be provided for such purpose by the County Commissioners, and shall give a receipt to each person for the amount paid.

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444. On or before the first day of each month after said tax becomes due and payable they shall pay to the Treasurer of Cecil County the amount of the tax collected by them and remaining in their hands, less twenty-five per centum of said amount, and the treasurer shall place the amount thus received to the credit of the sheep fund of the county.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 8, sec. 331. 1882, ch. 301.

445. The tax collected from the owners of dogs or sluts shall be devoted first to the remuneration of inhabitants of the county for losses sustained by sheep destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts; but if there remain in the county treasury, to credit of the "sheep fund" on the first day of September of each year, a sum more than sufficient to pay the awards for damages to sheep, made by the commissioners prior to that date, such surplus shall, upon the order of the commissioners, be paid by their clerk to the School Commissioners of Cecil County, to be by them devoted to the purposes of education.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 8, sec. 332. 1882, ch. 301.

446. When any inhabitant of Cecil County shall have any sheep destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts, he may apply to any justice of the peace of said county, who shall appoint three disinterested persons as appraisers to view and appraise the damages by him sustained, and they, or a majority of them shall, under oath, state in writing to the County Commissioners the number of sheep killed, the character and extent of the injury, if any, done to the flock or any portion thereof, and the amount of damages sustained by the owner; and in like manner they shall give a general description of both the destroyed and injured sheep; and both the appraisers and the owner of the sheep shall make oath that they believe the sheep to have been destroyed or injured by dogs or sluts; and they, or