

POLICE JUSTICE.

1910, ch. 294, sec. 1. 1912, ch. 790, sec. 330. 1912, ch. 782, sec. 1A.
1920, ch. 694, sec. 1A. 1922, ch. 518, sec. 1A.
1927, ch. 321, sec. 1A.

493. The Governor is hereby authorized, empowered and directed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of the State of Maryland, if in session and without the consent and approval of the Senate if not in session, to biennially appoint a Justice of the Peace for Montgomery County, at large, and to designate said Justice of the Peace, appointed by the provisions of this Act as Police Justice.

1910, ch. 294, sec. 2. 1912, ch. 790, sec. 331. 1927, ch. 321, sec. 2.

494. Said Police Justice shall be a resident of the County of Montgomery, in the State of Maryland, and who, before he acts as such shall give bond to the State of Maryland, in the penalty of one thousand dollars, with a surety or sureties to be approved by the County Commissioners of said Montgomery County, conditioned that he will well and faithfully execute the duties and obligations of Justice of the Peace, and that he will account for and pay over to the County Commissioners of said county all fines, penalties, forfeitures and costs imposed by him, which he shall receive for or on account of criminal offenses tried before him, under the provisions of the Public General Laws, and the Public Local Laws, which bond shall be recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court for said county, and which shall be liable at the suit of the State for the use of the said County Commissioners in case of default of any of its conditions.

1910, ch. 294, sec. 3. 1912, ch. 790, sec. 332. 1927, ch. 321, sec. 3.

495. The Justice of the Peace, appointed by virtue of this Act shall have an office in the Court House, at Rockville, or other suitable place in said town of Rockville, to be provided by the County Commissioners for said county, and shall attend at his office as often as the business of same may require his attention, and at least four days of each and every week beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. and continuing in session as long as the business of the said Court may require.

1912, ch. 790, sec. 333. 1927, ch. 321, sec. 4.

496. The said Police Justice herein provided shall have the same jurisdiction in civil actions as other Justices of the Peace of the said County and shall have criminal jurisdiction, concurrent with that exercised by the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, in all cases of assault and battery, cruelty to animals, vagrancy, drunkenness and disorderly conduct, disturbance of the public peace, wrongfully opening or breaking the seal of any letter not addressed to the party, selling deadly weapons to minors, obscene publications, blasphemy, destroying bounded or boundary trees, fraud upon turnpike companies, all charges of violations of health laws, violation of laws relating to turnpike companies, failing to keep a light reflecting upon