

fires or other city purposes; or may supply such light or water themselves; provided, no contract so entered into with a private corporation or company shall be for a longer period than ten years, or in default of any such contract they may provide same at the expense and for the use of the city.

1910, ch. 529, sec. 94.

90. The Mayor and Council of Crisfield are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow on the faith and credit of the city and for the use of the city a sum or sums of money in all not exceeding in the aggregate five thousand dollars, and may issue emergency notes or other evidences of indebtedness, under authority of this section on such time and at such rate of interest as may be determined by the Mayor and Council, and the interest thereon must be paid by the Mayor and Council from the general taxes levied for the use of the city under the power in this Act conferred; the levying or collecting of any special tax for the payment of such notes or other evidences of indebtedness being expressly prohibited.

1910, ch. 529, sec. 95.

91. For the enforcement of the city ordinance the police justice who shall be one of the justices of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for Somerset County and for Crisfield District shall have all the power of ordering arrest and summoning witnesses, trying cases and inflicting fines and punishments for violations of the same that are now vested in justices of the peace by the State laws, and shall be entitled to demand and receive the same fees therefor as in other criminal cases. He shall be furnished with a copy of the Charter and ordinances of the city, and shall keep a separate docket for corporation cases, submit the same when required and render quarterly statements and pay over all the fines to the treasurer. And the Mayor and Council may provide that a violation of the provisions of any ordinance may be a misdemeanor and punishable by fine and imprisonment in the city or county jail. From any judgment rendered by the police justice in the enforcement of any provision of this chapter or of the ordinances of the city, an appeal shall be by the party aggrieved to the Circuit Court for Somerset County; provided the appeal is taken within thirty days after the rendering of such judgment; but no appeal shall stay process or execution upon judgment unless good and sufficient bond be given for payment of fine and all costs in case judgment be affirmed.

1910, ch. 529, sec. 96.

92. This act shall not affect or impair any right vested or acquired and existing at the time of the passage of this Act relating to said city or its officers; provided that this section shall not be construed to make irrevocable or irrevocable any rights which before the passage of this Act was repealable or revocable; nor shall this Act impair, discharge or release any contract, obligation, duty, liability or penalty whatever now existing. All suits and action, both civil and criminal, pending or which may hereafter be instituted for causes of action now existing or offenses already