

shall employ a clerk, to be appointed by the governor, at an annual salary of one thousand dollars, payable in the same manner, with such allowance for office rent, advertising and contingent expenses as may be agreed upon by the board of public works, not exceeding two thousand dollars.

Expenses

No other agent to visit immigrant vessels.

7. It shall be unlawful for any other agent, runner or solicitor, to visit vessels arriving with immigrants on board, for any purpose whatever, until such immigrants have been seen and properly instructed by the commissioner or his clerk provided for in this act.

Penalty for violation.

8. Any person or persons violating the last preceding section shall be liable, on conviction in any court of law in this state having competent jurisdiction, to a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisonment for not less than thirty days or more than sixty days, at the discretion of the court, said fine to go to the state.

Who may be commissioner or clerk

9. No one shall be appointed as "commissioner of immigration," or clerk to said commissioner, who is directly or indirectly interested in or with any company, firm or individual having for their object the transportation of passengers by land or by water, or the sale of public or private lands outside of the state of Maryland.

Expenses, how paid

10. All expenses growing out of the establishment of said office, together with all salaries appertaining thereto as hereinbefore mentioned, shall be paid by the treasurer quarterly on the warrant of the comptroller.

In force from February 8, 1866.

#### IMMIGRANT AGENT.

1867, c. 172 enacts the following:

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11. Dr. James Higgins, of Anne Arundel county, is hereby appointed immigrant agent of the state of Maryland, and he is hereby empowered and directed