

shall be made out by the judges and clerks, and shall be vested with the power and authority to commit offenders for any breach of the peace in the like manner as any justice of the peace.

P. G. L., (1860,) art. 35, sec. 8. 1805, ch. 97, sec. 10.

47. The said judges shall appoint two clerks, being above the age of twenty-one years, to enter the names of voters, separately and plainly on the books provided for that purpose; and if any clerk so appointed shall neglect or refuse to act, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars.

Ibid. sec. 9. 1805, ch. 97, sec. 11. 1867, ch. 374.

48. Every judge of election, at every election to be hereafter held in pursuance of law, before he proceeds to take or receive any vote, shall take the following oath or affirmation: I, A. B., do swear (or affirm) that I will permit all persons to vote who shall offer to vote at the election now to be held for ——— county, or ——— city, whose names shall appear on the registry or list of voters furnished to me according to law, as qualified voters under the constitution and laws of this State, and that I will not permit any person to vote at the same election, whose name shall not be found upon the said registry or list of qualified voters; and I will in all things execute the office of judge of the said election, according to the best of my knowledge, without favor or partiality, so help me God.

Bevard v Hoffman, 18 Md. 479. Friend v. Hamill, 34 Md. 298. Elbin v. Wilson, 33 Md. 135.

Ibid. sec. 10. 1805, ch. 97, sec. 11.

49. Every clerk, before he enters any vote on the poll-books shall take the following oath, to wit: "I, A. B., do swear that I will well and faithfully, without favor, affection or partiality, execute the office of clerk of the election now to be held, according to the best of my knowledge, so help me God.

Ibid. sec. 11. 1805, ch 97, sec 11. 1828, ch. 160. 1852, ch. 183, sec. 8.

50. The several judges may administer the said oath to each other, or take the same before a justice of the peace; and the clerks may either be sworn by one of the judges or before a jus-