

1870, ch. 202.

39. The mayor may take the acknowledgment of any deed or instrument of writing required to be acknowledged, and receive therefor the sum of fifty cents; all by-laws and ordinances of the said corporation shall be signed by the mayor; during the first ten days in the month of January of each and every year he shall cause to be prepared and printed for the information of the citizens, a statement of the finances of the said corporation; he may call upon any officer of the city, entrusted with the receipt and expenditure of public money, for a statement of his accounts as often as he may deem it necessary; and he shall see that the ordinances are duly and faithfully executed.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 2, sec. 49.

40. The mayor, counsellor and aldermen may repair any private wharves belonging to persons who shall refuse, after two months' notice, to repair the same, and they may receive the wharfage of such wharves until such repairs are paid for, or until the owners thereof shall pay the same.

Ibid. sec. 50.

41. They may appoint, from time to time, at such periods as they may deem most proper and convenient, certain persons as wardens of the port of the city of Annapolis, not less than three nor more than five in number, who shall be removable at their pleasure.

Ibid. sec. 51.

42. The persons so appointed shall each take the following oath: "I, A. B., do swear that I will discharge the trust of warden of the port of the city of Annapolis to the best of my ability, without favor, affection or partiality."

Ibid. sec. 52.

43. The wardens, or a majority of them, shall have power to determine upon and regulate all matters relating to the erection or building of wharves in the said port, so far as respects the distance said wharves may be extended into the water, and the materials of which they shall be constructed, and the manner and