

1872, ch. 45.

150. Each of the four coroners shall be assigned to such subdivision or district of the city of Baltimore as the governor may direct; and in case of absence or illness of any coroner, he shall deputize some competent person to attend to the duties of his office during his absence or illness.

Ibid.

151. The coroner shall hold an inquest over every person found dead in his district in said city when the manner and cause of death shall not be already known as accidental, or in the course of nature. No coroner's jury in said city shall receive any fee or compensation for services as such; and said coroners are authorized and empowered to issue their certificates to the register of Baltimore city for the payment of such expenses as may be necessary for the interment of any person over whom they, or either of them, has held an inquest, and whose body is not claimed by friends or relatives; provided, the amount of such expenses shall not in any case exceed the sum of seven dollars.

Ibid.

152. Each of said coroners shall make a monthly report to the police commissioners of Baltimore city, of the number of inquests held by him during the month last past before said report, with a full description, as far as may be, of the persons who were the subjects of such inquests, their sex, age, color and nationality, the cause and mode of their death, and such other particulars as may be necessary to their identification, in case of strangers and unknown persons; and each of said coroners shall also, immediately after holding an inquest, deposit in some bank of Baltimore city, subject to the order of the judges of the orphans' court of said city, all property, money and other effects found upon the person of those over whom he shall hold inquest, as hereinbefore provided.

1882, ch. 113.

153. Any public officer of Baltimore city or Baltimore county, having charge of or control over the bodies of deceased persons required to be buried at the public expense, shall give permission to any physician or surgeon of said city or county, upon his