

which he may have been elected, the remaining commissioners shall have power to fill the vacancy.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 9, sec. 89. 1888, ch. 297.

**149.** The said commissioners, or a majority of them, may annually appoint an active and discreet person to be bailiff within the limits of said village, who, before he shall proceed to the execution of his office shall take an oath, to be administered by a justice of the peace for the said county, that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of him as bailiff; and the commissioners may require the said bailiff to give bond in the same manner and under the same penalties that the several constables of said county do; and it shall be the duty of said bailiff to attend the meetings of the said commissioners when so ordered; to perform such service as shall from time to time be directed by them; to prevent the tumultuous and irregular meeting of all idle, dissolute and drunken persons within the limits of said village; and the said bailiff shall be invested with the same power that a constable now has under the public general laws of the State, and the commissioners may allow him such compensation as they may think proper.

Ibid. sec. 90. 1888, ch. 297.

**150.** When the health, comfort, convenience or prosperity of said village shall require the taking of private property for the purpose of opening streets, widening the same, or for any other purpose, the commissioners shall issue their warrant to the sheriff of Charles county to summon a jury of twenty persons, who have no pecuniary interest in the property to be condemned, residents of the county; and from the panel of jurors, each party, the commissioners and the owner of the property to be condemned, his agents or attorney, or, if either party be not present in person, or by agent, or being present in person or by agent, refuse to strike, the sheriff for him shall strike off four persons for each side, respectively, and the remaining twelve shall act as such jury, and they shall meet on the premises on a day fixed by the sheriff, and within ten days from the date of the warrant of the commissioners, of which day of meeting the owner shall have notice from the sheriff; and having been sworn by the sheriff, without