

provided for that purpose; and if any clerk so appointed shall neglect or refuse to act, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty dollars.

**Penalty** 161 C. Any judge of election appointed under the provisions of this article who shall not attend at the time appointed for holding any election in his ward shall forfeit fifty dollars for every such neglect, unless prevented by sickness or other sufficient cause, in the opinion of the court and jury before whom he shall be tried.

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fenders** 161 D. The said judges shall be conservators of the peace during the continuance of the election and until the ballots shall be counted, and the necessary certificates required by this article shall be made out by the judges and clerks, and shall be voted with the power and authority to commit offenders for any breach of the peace in the like manner as any justice of the peace.

**Oath.** 161 E. Every judge of election, at every election to be hereafter held in the city of Hagerstown 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 the city of Hagerstown, 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."

**Oath** 161 F. Every clerk, before he enters any vote in 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."

**Shall be  
Sworn.** 161 H. The several judges and clerks shall be sworn before a justice of the peace; and a certificate of every such oath signed by the person administering the same shall be annexed to the poll-books.

**Time of  
Holding  
Election** 161 I. All elections shall commence at six o'clock in the morning of the respective days of election and shall continue without adjournment, and shall be closed at six o'clock in the evening of the same day, and no ballot shall be taken before the said hour of six o'clock in the morning, nor after the hour of six o'clock in the evening.