

the tax," or the words, "Against the tax," said ballot shall not be counted by the Judges in the several election districts, as expressing any opinion of the voter on the subject.

Returns of  
votes.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the Judges of election in the several election districts, shall carefully ascertain the number of votes cast in their respective districts "For the tax," and the number of votes cast "Against the tax," and the several return Judges shall make true returns thereof, attested by their hands and seal, to the county commissioners.

Duty to levy.

Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That if from the returns made by the Judges of the election, it shall appear to the county commissioners of said county, that a majority of the votes taken which indicate an opinion on the subject of the tax aforesaid, were cast in favor of the tax, then it shall be the duty of said commissioners to levy on the taxable property of said county the sum of six thousand dollars, with the expenses of collecting the same annually for five years, and to have the same collected in manner as now provided for the collection of other county taxes.

Annual pay-  
ment—how  
paid.

Sec. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the amount of six thousand dollars thus raised, shall be paid annually on the first day of April, or in the discretion of the county commissioners, in two equal instalments, on the first days of April and October, respectively in each year, for five successive years, the first payment thereon to be made on the first day of April, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, or eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, as the county commissioners may determine, on the written order or orders of said commissioners, drawn on one or more of the collectors of the county tax, to the officer or agent, appointed and authorized by the Directors of the Queen Anne and Kent Railroad Company, to receive the same, and whose appointment is hereby required to be attested by the signature of the President of said corporation, and under their corporate seal; and it shall be and is hereby made the duty of said commissioners to require of said officer or agent, a receipt for such sums, which shall be filed among the papers of their office.