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County Commissioners, and to empower the said County Commissioners to levy taxes to pay the expenses of the same.

Auditors appointed. Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of Washington county shall on or before the first day of August, 1906, and biennially thereafter on or before the first day of August appoint two taxpayers of said county, of upright character and good reputation and standing, who have had experience in and who are conversant with the keeping of books and accounts, and who shall be selected one from each of the two leading political parties of said county, who shall be designated as the auditors for Washington county, and who shall hold office for two years.

Vacancies to

SEC. 2. The said County Commissioners shall fill any and all vacancies that may occur within ten days after the same is known to exist.

SEC. 3. The said auditors so appointed shall before entering upon the discharge of their duties take before the clerk of the Circuit Court of Washington county the oath prescribed by the constitution of the State.

Oath taken.

Examination of books, papers. accounts, etc., to be made. SEC. 4. The said auditors shall before the 15th day of January, 1907, and biennially thereafter before the 15th day of January, make a thorough, complete and detailed examination of all the books, papers, accounts and vouchers in the office of the said County Commissioners of Washington county, and of all the papers and matters in the office that pertain to or are in any way connected with the moneys and finances of the said county, and the collection, disbursement and expenditure of the same, and make a full and complete audit of the same, and to file the same audit and accounts with a full report thereon with the said County Commissioners, which reports, audit and accounts shall always be open to inspection and examination by any citizen of the said county who desires to examine the same.

Limit their investigation and audit. SEC. 5. The auditors first appointed under the provisions of this Act shall limit their investigation and audit and account and report to the period extending from the 1st of January, 1892, to the 31st of December, 1906, and shall make out and file their audit, account and report with the