

CHAP. 7. said commissioners who, during his term of office, shall accept any other place of public trust or emolument, or who during the same period shall knowingly receive any nomination for an office elective by the people, without publicly declining the same within twenty days succeeding said nomination, shall be deemed to have thereby vacated his office ; for official misconduct any of the said commissioners may be removed by a concurrent vote of the two Houses of the General Assembly.

Commissioners ineligible to other offices.

SEC. 4. The following persons, to wit: Charles Howard, William H. Gatchell, Charles D. Hinks, and John W. Davis, of the city of Baltimore, are hereby appointed the first commissioners under this article, and so soon as they shall have been qualified, by taking and subscribing to the oaths or affirmations hereinbefore mentioned, they shall divide themselves into two equal classes, to be determined by lot, and the two who shall be drawn of the first class shall serve from the time of their appointment until the end of two years from and after the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty, and until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified ; and the two who shall be drawn of the second class shall serve from the time of their appointment until the end of four years from and after the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty, and until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified ; when the division into classes, as herein prescribed, shall have taken place, notice thereof shall be at once given to the Governor by the commissioners, in writing, to be filed in the State Department.

Commissioners appointed.

Tenure of office—how determined.

SEC. 5. The duties of the board of police, hereby created, shall be as follows: they shall at all times of the day and night, within the boundaries of the city of Baltimore, as well on water as on land, preserve the public peace, prevent crime and arrest offenders, protect the rights of person and property, guard the public health, preserve order at every public election, and at all public meetings and places, and on all public occasions, prevent and remove nuisances in all streets, highways, waters, and other places, provide a proper police force at every fire for the protection of firemen and property, protect strangers, emigrants, and travelers at steamboat and ship landings and railway stations, see that all laws relating to elections and to the observ-

Duties of the Board of Police.