

CHAP. 7. for the year next ensuing ; and that the said certificates shall not be made payable at an earlier date than the first day of August next after issuing the same, and shall not be receivable in payment of city taxes earlier than those for the year in which they shall so be payable.

Penalty.

SEC. 16. Any officer or servant of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or other person whatsoever, who shall forcibly resist or obstruct the execution or enforcement of any of the provisions of this article, providing a permanent police for the city of Baltimore or relating to the same, or who shall disburse any money in violation thereof, or who shall hinder or obstruct the organization of said Board of Police, or the police force hereinbefore provided to be organized, or who shall maintain or control or attempt to maintain or control the existing police force of said city or any part thereof, or any other police force under the ordinance hereinbefore repealed, except as herein provided, shall be liable to a penalty of one thousand dollars for each and every such offence, recoverable by the board by action at law in the name of the State, and shall forever thereafter be disqualified from holding or exercising any office or employment whatsoever under the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or under this article; *Provided, however,* That nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with the punishment under any existing or any future law of this State, of any criminal offence which shall be committed by the said parties in or about the resistance, obstruction, hinderance, conspiracy, combination or disbursement aforesaid.

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Justices of  
the peace to  
be employed:

SEC. 17. The said board shall have the power, and it shall be their duty from time to time to select and employ from among the duly elected and qualified justices of the peace for the city of Baltimore, such justice or justices as may be required, and as they may deem proper, to sit at the respective station houses, for the hearing of such charges as may be brought against persons arrested and carried to the said station houses, and shall have full power to pay to him or them such moderate compensation as they may judge fit, and to remove and change the said justices in their discretion ; *Provided, however,* that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the said justices from recovering from

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