

commissioners, by his or her oath, or the oath of CHAP. 213.
some other person, that he or she is not the owner
of any dog or bitch, or is not the owner of so many
dogs or bitches, as he or she is charged with ; but
the constable shall kill any dog or bitch found in
the possession of any person so released, unless the
tax on such dog is paid.

SEC. 10. Any person occupying a house at or
about which a dog or dogs are kept, shall be deemed
the owner or keeper of such dog or dogs. **Deemed own-
er of dogs.**

SEC. 11. Every constable shall be allowed ten
cents for each dog or bitch which he shall return
to the county commissioners, but a constable shall
be paid but once for returning any one dog. **Compensa-
tion.**

SEC. 12. Every constable shall be allowed ten per
cent. for all the taxes hereby imposed upon dogs,
which he shall collect, and he shall pay over
monthly to the county commissioners, or the county
treasurer, all such sums as he shall collect, and
and when compelled to execute for the same, he
shall be entitled to the same fees as an execution
from a justice of the peace to be paid by the parties
executed. **Per centage.**

SEC. 13. Every constable's bond shall be liable
for his faithful collection and paying over all the
taxes herein imposed on dogs. **Liability.**

SEC. 14. Any person whose sheep may be killed
or injured by dogs, may apply to a justice of the
peace, who shall appoint two disinterested and in-
telligent men to value such sheep, and such persons
shall return a valuation of the same to the county
commissioners with their affidavit thereto annexed,
that they believe the said sheep were killed or in-
jured by dogs, and that their valuation of them is
fair and reasonable. **Valuation of
sheep killed
by dogs.**

SEC. 15. The county commissioners on the receipt
of such valuation, shall pay to the owner of such
sheep the sum mentioned in such valuation ; *Pro-
vided*, that the commissioners shall not pay for any
sheep killed or injured by dogs, unless the owner
shall make affidavit, to be filed with the commis-
sioners, that such sheep were killed or injured by
dogs, and that he has no means of recovering the
value of his sheep from the owner of the dog that
killed or injured them, nor shall the commissioners
pay for such sheep out of any other fund than the
**Owners of
sheep killed
to be paid.
Proviso.**