

CHAP. 373. assessment and remain in session as long as may be reasonable to hear and determine such appeals, and shall give reasonable notice of such meeting, and may abate or increase the assessment as may seem just.

Taxes.

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted,* That whenever the commissioners shall levy a tax, they shall cause to be made out an alphabetical list of the jurors charged therewith, and shall cause to be affixed thereto the respective sums to be collected from each person and a warrant to the bailiff to collect the same.

Tax—how
and by whom
collected.

SEC. 18. *And be it enacted,* That the bailiff shall within ten days after the receipt of such list, and warrant, render to each person named therein an account of the tax, and if he cannot render to any person such account by reason of his non-residence or otherwise, he shall publish such account in some newspaper in said town, at the expense of the taxpayer, and may unless the same be paid within thirty days after the delivery or publication of such account, collect the same with all costs by distress and sale of the real and personal property of the delinquent at public auction after giving at least ten days public notice of such sale in some newspaper published in said town.

Deed of pro-
perty sold for
tax.

SEC. 19. *And be it enacted,* That the president of the commissioners shall execute and deliver to the purchaser a deed of the property so sold, and the said deed shall convey to the purchaser the said property, and shall be presumptive evidence that all the requirements of law have been complied with in making such sale and deed.

Collections.

SEC. 20. *And be it enacted,* That the bailiff shall make all collections required of him, and pay the same to the clerk within six months from the time the tax list is placed in his hands.

Duties of
bailiff.

SEC. 21. *And be it enacted,* That the bailiff shall attend the meetings of the commissioners and perform such duties as they shall direct and he shall prevent disorderly or irregular meetings of negroes or other disorderly persons, he shall correct in moderation all negroes found strolling about the streets or remaining at the houses of free negroes after ten o'clock at night in the summer, and nine o'clock at night in the winter, without a pass from their owner or employer.

President—
powers and
duties.

SEC. 22. *And be it enacted,* That the president shall preside at all meetings of the commissioners,