CHAP. 7. exercise of the powers of the Board of Police of the city of Baltimore hereinafter created, nor shall the said city or any officer or agent of the corporation of said city, or of the Mayor thereof, in any manner impede, obstruct, hinder or interfere with the said Board of Police, or any officer, agent or servant thereof or thereunder.

Repealed.

SEC. 2. That the seven hundred and seventy-fourth section of said article, which authorises the Mayor and City Council, to establish night watches or patrols, and erect lamps, the seven hundred and seventy-fifth, seven hundred seventy-sixth and seven hundred and seventy-seventh sections of said article, which authorise the Mayor and City Council to appoint, pay and arm the police of said city, and protect the said police in the discharge of their duty, be and the same are hereby repealed, and that the following sections be inserted in said article as a substitute for and lieu of the said sections so repealed.

Board of Police.

Sec. 3. There shall be, and is hereby established, within and for the city of Baltimore, a board of police, to be called the Board of Police of the city of Baltimore, to consist of four Commissioners, as is hereinafter provided, together with the Mayor of said city for the time being, or whosoever may be lawfully acting in that capacity; the said commissioners shall be citizens of the United States, and shall have been residents of said city for the period of twelve months next preceding their appointment; they shall, except as hereinafter specified, hold their offices for four years, and until their respective successors shall have been appointed and qualified, and shall receive each a salary of two thousand dollars per annum, payable quarterly; before entering on the duties of their said office, the said commissioners and the said Mayor shall take and subscribe before the Judge of the Superior Court of Baltimore City or the clerk thereof, the oath or affirmation prescribed by the fourth section of the first article of the Constitution, and shall also take and subscribe before the same judge or clerk the further oath or affirmation, that in any and every appointment or removal to be by them made to or from the police force created and to be organized by them under this article, they will in no case and under no pretext appoint or remove any policeman

or officer of police, or other person under them, for

Residents.

Salary,

Oath