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of votes given as aforesaid for commissioners, the saidcertificate shall be made out and filed by the said returning judges of election, in form similar to the certificates of the election of delegates, to be delivered to the clerk of the county court, whose duty it shall be to record the same, and the two persons resident as aforesaid in the first commissioner's district, and the three residents in the second commissioner's district and the two resident in the third commissioner's district, who shall be ascertained by the said returning judges to have received the largest number of votes in the whole county at the said election, shall be declared to be duly elected commissioners for Dorchester county; and the said commissioners, elected as aforesaid, shall have, use and exercise all the powers and authority vested heretofore in the levy court of said county, and the said commissioners, at their first meeting after their election and qualification, shall be divided into three Classification classes, and the two persons elected commissioners from the first commissioner's district shall constitute the first class, and shall continue in office until the an- is class nual election in October, eighteen hundred and forty. and until the election and qualification of their successors; the three persons elected commissioners from the 24 class second commissioner's district, shall constitute the second class, and shall continue in office until the annual election in October, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and until the election and qualification of their successors: and the two persons elected commissioners from the ad class third commissioner's district shall constitute the third class, and shall continue in office until the annual election in October, eighteen hundred and forty-two, and until the election and qualification of their successors.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted. That at the annual clectorion in October, eighteen hundred and forty, two commissioners, possessing the qualifications required in the third section of this act, and residents of the first commissioner's district, shall be elected by the qualified voters of Dorchester county, in the same manner as the delegates to the General Assembly are by law directed to be elected; and shall be certified and returned, and the certificate and returns shall be recorded, as required in the third section of this act, to supply