

PHILIP F. THOMAS, ESQUIRE, GOVERNOR. 1847.

tural Chemist for the State, and if the Senate shall have adjourned before the Governor shall make the appointment for the present year, or if a vacancy shall hereafter occur during the recess of the Senate, then the Governor alone shall make such appointment, which shall be good and valid until the tenth day after the next meeting of the Senate.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That the State shall be divided into three districts, the first shall comprise that part of the State now comprised in the first gubernatorial district, the second that of the third gubernatorial district, and the third that of the second gubernatorial district.

SEC. 3. *Be it enacted*, That the said Agricultural Chemist shall spend one year, the first beginning on the date of his appointment, in each of said districts in the order named; it shall also be his duty to spend one month in each county and Howard district, and visit each election district.

SEC. 4. *Be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of said Agricultural Chemist to analyze specimens of each variety of soil of the county in which he shall be, that may be brought to him or that he may find to exist, and also to examine, and if necessary, analyze specimens of each kind of marl or other mineral or vegetable deposit that may come to his knowledge, in order that his instructions may be of more practical utility.

SEC. 5. *Be it also enacted*, That it shall also be his further duty to deliver one public lecture, after having given timely notice thereof, in each election district in each county, and then to deliver a course of public lectures at each county town, and some central place in Baltimore county, after having given also sufficient notice thereof in each election district, and he shall also permit the clerk of the levy court, or of the commissioners of the tax, as the case may be, to take a copy of said course of lectures to be retained and kept for the use and benefit of the county, and published by said levy court or commissioners of the tax, if to them it shall seem expedient.

SEC. 6. *Be it enacted*, That the said Chemist shall make an annual report to the House of Delegates, if in session, and if not, then to the Governor, whose duty it shall be to cause the same to be published, of his proceedings and such other matters touching the agricultural interest of the State as may be considered necessary.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That for the faithful discharge of his duties the said Chemist shall receive the