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annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, to be paid as the salaries of other civil officers are or may be paid, and for the purchase of chemical implements and materials the said Chemist shall be allowed for the first year the sum of two hundred dollars in advance, and on each succeeding year a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, out of such monies as may be in the treasury and not otherwise appropriated.

*Sec. 3. Be it enacted, That the said Chemist shall be divided into three districts, the first shall comprise parts of the State now consolidated into the first Bounding line, the second into the parts of the State now consolidated into the second line, and the third into the parts of the State now consolidated into the third line.*

*Sec. 3. Be it enacted, That the said Chemist shall be appointed by the Governor, and shall hold his office during the pleasure of the Governor.*

*March 9, 1848. A further supplement to an act concerning the draining of swamps and low grounds, by the laying out and opening of public ditches in Worcester, Queen Anne's and Dorchester counties, passed at December session eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter two hundred and seventy-eight.*

*SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That whenever in any proceedings which has been or may hereafter be commenced by any person or persons under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, it shall and may be lawful for the county commissioners, levy court or county court, as the case may be, of the county in which said proceedings shall have been or may hereafter be commenced, or may be pending at any time before a final decision is made by said county commissioners, levy court or county court, as the case may be, upon the application of either party to said proceeding to grant leave in their discretion to said party to amend the petition, or any part whatever of said proceedings thereunder, that shall or may be discovered to be defective or informal, so as to bring the true merits of the case fairly before said county commissioners, levy court, county court or jury for trial.*

*Award costs according to equity. Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the county commissioners, levy court or county court, as the case may be, granting such amendment, shall have power to award costs in their discretion in all such cases, according to the equity and right of the matter.*

*Governor to appoint. March 9, 1848. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Governor is hereby authorized to appoint a Commissioner of the State to assist in the execution of the laws of this State, and to exercise such powers as may be necessary to carry out the objects of this act.*

*Philip T. Thompson, Governor.*