

dred and thirty-seven, and have accrued to the benefit of Baltimore county, by the terms of the division and settlement of the joint property interests of Baltimore city and county, and the said commissioners, shall levy only for the taxes of eighteen hundred and fifty-four, for said county, in addition to the funds herein before appropriated, such further sum or sums, by estimate to be made by them, as may be required for the current expenses of the county for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four.

Amount in hand,

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That in estimating the amount required for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four, the said commissioners, are hereby authorised in anticipation, further to credit the levy for said year with such sum as in their judgment, may remain in hand, arising from monies heretofore directed by law to be held by the Treasurer of said county, to pay the judges of the orphans court, jurors, &c., and from balances to be hereafter ascertained in favor of the county upon full audit of the books of the Treasurer of said county, and for the purpose of ascertaining the financial condition of said county, it shall be the duty of the commissioners of Baltimore county to cause the books of the Treasurer of said county to be closed and balanced, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, and to have a statement in detail made out, showing the balances after deducting the liabilities of said county, payable to the county Treasurer, or county commissioners from all sources in their kind, which said statement shall be entered at length on the journal of proceedings of said commissioners, and if upon such audit or statement it shall appear, that the balances thus ascertained, and herein before authorised to be appropriated and applied to the credit of the levy of eighteen hundred and fifty-four, shall either exceed, or fall below the amount so anticipated, then the said county commissioners shall credit or charge such excess or deficit as the case may be, to the levy for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

Discount allowances, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the said county commissioners shall in addition to the levy for the current expenses of the said county upon the assessable property thereof, on or before the first day of April eighteen hundred and fifty-four, levy a further sum of nine per cent, to be computed upon the estimated requirements of said county, and on or before the first day of March, for each and every year thereafter, ten per cent to defray the discount allowances, and collecting of the