

this Corporation, to impose fines and forfeitures for the breach of their by-laws and ordinances, and recover the same in the name of said Corporation, before any Justice of the Peace of said county, as other fines and forfeitures are now recovered; *Provided*, that no ordinance of the said Commissioners, shall impose a fine or forfeiture for any offence of more than ten dollars.

Proviso.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted*, That if any person or persons shall refuse or neglect to pay their taxes, fines or forfeitures, charged against them by virtue of this act, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners to collect the same, in the same manner, and with the same costs that small debts are collected out of court.

Taxes, fines and forfeitures—how collected.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners, be and they are hereby empowered to make all necessary regulations, to secure property against fire, promote health and conduce to the general welfare and prosperity of the said Village.

Empowered with authority.

SEC. 16. *And be it enacted*, That the said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority, annually to appoint an active, discreet person to be bailiff and collector within the limits of said village; and before he shall proceed to the execution of his said office, shall take an oath or affirmation, to be administered by a Justice of the Peace for said county that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of him as bailiff and collector, within the limits of said village, by virtue of this act, according to the best of his skill and judgment; and the said bailiff and collector shall give bond in the same manner, and under the same penalties, that the several constables and collectors of said county do; and it shall be the duty of the said bailiff and collector to attend the meetings of the said Commissioners whenever he shall be required to perform such services as shall from time to time be by them directed, for the more effectual accomplishing the object of this act; to prevent the tumultuous and irregular meetings of slaves and free negroes within the limits of said village; and to punish with moderate correction all such slaves, or free negroes as shall be found wandering or strolling about the streets in the night time, and to prevent slaves frequenting the

A bailiff to be appointed—his duties.