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shall have all the effect, force and validity of a sheriff, coroner, or Dec Ses 1824 elisor's return, duly made by himself, and the same proceedings shall thereafter be had thereon, as are provided in the fourth sec-

tion of the act to which this is a supplement.

2. And be it enacted, That in case of the death of any sheriff, Collection of or late sheriff, who may at the time of his death, have officers fees fees. in his hands for collection; it shall and may be lawful for the orphans court of the county wherein said sheriff or late sheriff resided, upon the application of the security or securities of such sheriff or late sheriff, or his or their legal representatives, to appoint such person or persons as the said court may deem proper to complete the collection of said fees, whose duty it shall be to apply said fees when collected, or so much thereof as may be necessary to the payment of such claims as may lawfully exist against said deceased sheriff or late sheriff, for officers fees put into his hands for collection, and the person or persons so appointed, shall be entitled to the same commissions or fees on the monies collected by them, as sheriffs are entitled to for similar services, and shall be subject to the same rules and regulations.

3. And be it enacted, That all and every person or persons ap- Account and pointed under the provisions of this act, shall within one year after settle. their appointment, settle an account on oath with their respective orphans courts, shewing the amount of monies by them collected, the amount of claims by them paid away, and to whom paid, together with their authority for such payment, which said account may be approved or rejected by the said court, according to their judgment of its correctness or incorrectness, and if by such accounts being approved as aforesaid, any balance should appear to be in the hands of such collector or collectors, they shall, under the orders of said court, pay over said balance to the executor or

administrator of such deceased sheriff or late sheriff.

4. And be it enacted, That no officers fees which have been put Fees in hand, into the hands of any sheriff for collection, and which may not not collected. have been collected at the time of the death of such sheriff or late sheriff as the case may be, shall be considered as assets in the hands of such sheriff or late sheriff's executor or administrator, or as celonging to the estate of such deceased sheriff or late sheriff, other or more than such part thereof as may remain in the hands of such person or persons as may be appointed under this act, after the debts due the different officers are all paid, for which the said securities were responsible.

5. And be it enacted, That before any person or persons appoin- Bond and seted under the provisions of this act, shall proceed to execute the curity. duties of the said appointment, he or they shall give bond to the state with security to be approved by the said court, conditioned for the faithful performance and fulfilment of the duties enjoyned

on them by this act. 6. And be it enacted, That all acts or parts of acts of assembly Repeal. which are repugnant to or inconsistent with the provisions of this

act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

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