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Board of electors.

Oath of commissioners.

Acts repealed.

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Directors to appoint keeper and assistants.

shall be refused, or neglected to be paid within five days, then all the power and authority invested in the said city commissioners and port wardens, to open and extend said street, shall be abrogated and annulled, and all further proceedings under the said act shall cease, until such payment be made or tendered; and if the said sum should be claimed by any other person, such claim shall not impede the execution of this act in opening said street.

11. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners for the laying out and surveying the said street shall be appointed, and all vacancies happening therein from time to time be supplied, by a board of electors constituted of Walter Dorsey, Charles W. Hanson, Alexander Nisbet, Owen Dorsey, Robert Walsh, James A. Buchanan and William Cooke, Esquires; the number of the said commissioners shall be seven, and a majority of the said board of electors, of the board of the commissioners, of the judges of Baltimore county court, and of the board constituted of the city commissioners and port wardens, shall respectively be competent to exercise all the powers, and to perform all the duties, granted or imposed by this act, upon them respectively; and where legal disabilities exist in the proprietors of property affected by this act, they may be fully represented by the persons authorised by law to act for them in other cases; and before the said board of electors shall proceed to act under the authority of this law, they shall take an oath to appoint said commissioners without favour, affection or partiality, to the best of their skill and judgment, which oath shall be taken on or before the first Monday in March next, and the first appointment of commissioners shall be made within ten days thereafter; and any vacancy happening in said board, from neglect to take such oath, or otherwise, shall be filled within ten days thereafter by the electors, or a majority of them, who shall have so qualified; and the person so appointed shall within ten days thereafter take the like oath, or his place shall be filled as aforesaid.

12. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners appointed under this act, shall each take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation, before some one of the said board of electors: "I, A. B. do swear, (or solemnly affirm) that I will execute the duties of a commissioner in pursuance of an act, entitled, An act to provide for the opening and extension of Pratt-street in the city of Baltimore, to the best of my skill and judgment, with diligence, integrity and impartiality;" and if any person appointed a commissioner shall neglect to take the said oath, (or make the said affirmation) within ten days after his appointment, he shall be presumed to have declined it, and his place shall be supplied; and the said commissioners shall each be entitled to six dollars per diem as a compensation for his services.

13. *And be it enacted*, That the act, entitled, An act for the opening and extending of Pratt-street in the city of Baltimore, passed November session eighteen hundred and eleven, and the several supplements thereto, be and the same are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 72.

A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act concerning Crimes and Punishments.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Inspectors of the Penitentiary be hereafter styled the Direc-

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tors of the Penitentiary, the keeper of the Penitentiary, to appoint a keeper, and necessary for the concerns of the Penitentiary from time to time necessary, and said keeper, appoint, hire a keeper shall be a clerk and agent, the salary of each assistant by law; *And* the said keeper shall be responsible for the affairs of the Penitentiary, and the said salaries.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the keeper shall be admitted to the Penitentiary as defined in the penitentiary act, whatever, for and against the contrary.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the keeper sentenced to the court of justice, but that in all cases of punishment of a prisoner more than one year, shall be deemed the punishment of a year or more, and the party to such sentence at the prison, or both.

An act to

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted*, That from and after the first of the month of January, there shall be paid to the

An act authorising the levy and collection of the same therein mentioned. Sec. 1. *Be it enacted*, That the levy court of the county of Somerset shall