

Mr. Tuck, chairman of same committee, to which was referred the bill from the senate, entitled an act supplemental to an act, passed at December session 1813, ch. 102, entitled, an act relating to sheriffs and for other purposes, reported the same with the following amendments:

Amendments proposed,

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

Sec. 1. That it shall be the duty of the executor or administrator of any sheriff, coroner, or elisor, who may have died, or shall hereafter die, during his term of service, within twenty days after the granting of his letters, to deliver to the sheriff for the time being, if there be one who has qualified, and if there be no sheriff, then to some qualified coroner of the county, all writs and process of every description, which may be in the hands of said deceased sheriff or other officer, at the time of his death, and directed to him as sheriff, coroner or elisor, as aforesaid; together with all schedules, lists, entries and memoranda shewing the acts and proceedings of the said sheriff or other officer, in virtue thereof; and it shall be the duty of the said new sheriff or coroner, and he is hereby authorised and required to proceed to complete the execution of said process, in the same manner as the sheriff, or other officer, dying as aforesaid, might have done; provided, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to interfere with any right or liens created or acquired under and by virtue of said process, and the proceedings in pursuance thereof; and the executor or administrator of the sheriff, or other officer, so dying, as aforesaid, shall be entitled to have, demand, and receive, one half of the poundage, and other fees for any arrest, seizure or levy that has been made, or shall be made, under any process, that may be delivered to the new sheriff, or coroner, as aforesaid by the executor or administrator of said deceased officer, and it shall be the duty of the officer to whom such process may be delivered, to collect, receive, and pay over to the said executor or administrator the half of said poundage and other fees.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That in case any writ or process of any description has been or shall be issued to any sheriff, coroner or elisor, who has died, or may die, during his term of service and the same shall not be delivered to the new sheriff, or coroner, by the executor or administrator of the officer so dying, within the time limited by the preceding section, it shall be lawful for the plaintiff, his attorney or agent, to cause to be issued, a duplicate writ in any such case, to be delivered to, and executed by the new sheriff, or some one of the coroners of the county.

Sec. 3. And whereas doubts may be entertained as to the meaning of the fifth and sixth sections of the act to which this is a supplement, therefore, for the purpose of declaring the same, be it enacted, that by the true construction of said section, the executor or