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any one of the said commissioners may administer; and thereupon the said commissioners, or any three or more of them, shall proceed to elect and appoint one or two inspectors, as the case may require, for every warehouse in their counties respectively not having inspectors as aforesaid; and the said inspectors, so elected, shall be appointed, by warrant under their hands, to be inspector or inspectors at the respective warehouses for which they shall be elected; and in all appointments of inspectors under this act, the said commissioners shall forthwith deliver their warrants to the sheriff of their county, who shall, *ex officio*, immediately transmit the same to the persons to whom they are directed, on pain of forfeiting for every neglect or omission thereof the sum of five pounds specie.

To meet annually, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That the commissioners of the tax for every county in this state shall, and they are hereby authorized and required to meet annually, at their respective county court-houses, on some day between the first and tenth days of September, and any three or more of them so met, after taking the oath or affirmation herein before directed to be taken before the appointment of inspectors, according to the directions thereof, shall proceed to elect and appoint one or two inspectors, as the case may require, for each warehouse within their county, and shall immediately thereafter make out warrants, under their hands and seals, directed to the persons so elected, and deliver the same to the sheriff of their county, to be transmitted as aforesaid.

Inspector to signify his refusal, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That every person who shall be appointed an inspector in virtue of this act shall, within ten days after notice of his appointment as aforesaid, signify by writing under his hand, to be delivered within the time aforesaid to some of the commissioners of the tax for his county, his refusal or acceptance of the trust, on pain of forfeiting one hundred pounds current money; and whenever any vacancy in the office of inspector shall happen, by death, resignation, refusal, or removal, any one of the commissioners of the tax for the county where such vacancy shall happen, on notice thereof shall, and he is hereby required forthwith to procure a meeting of three or more of the said commissioners, at their court-house, who shall there proceed to a new choice and appointment, in manner aforesaid, of an inspector, to serve in the room of the inspector so dead, removed, resigning, or refusing to act.

Inspector to take an oath, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That every person who shall be appointed an inspector in virtue of this act, shall take the oaths or affirmations directed by the act for the regulation of the staple of tobacco, and do and perform all the duties of an inspector required by the said act (except such parts as are hereby repealed) in the same manner and under the same penalties as if he had been nominated and appointed according to the directions of the said act.

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VI. Provided always, That every person, so appointed or to be appointed an inspector, shall yearly, before he enters upon the execution of the said office, enter into bond with good security before one of the commissioners of the tax for the county wherein the inspecting house at which such inspector shall serve is situate, in the penalty and on the conditions prescribed by the act aforesaid, and such commissioner