

CHAP.
XVII.

A clerk to be
appointed,
&c.

XVII. And be it enacted, That the said special commissioners, better to enable them to discharge the duties enjoined them by this act, shall choote and employ a fit and able person for their clerk, who shall make such entries and keep such accounts as he shall be directed to do by the special commissioners, for which he shall be allowed such a reasonable reward as the said special commissioners shall agree to, which shall, by an order from the said special commissioners, be paid him by the treasurer.

A collector,
&c.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the special commissioners have full power to appoint a person or persons properly qualified to act as collector or collectors of the taxes before mentioned, who is to take instructions from the special commissioners, to return in a book the persons rated and the things assessed, to call upon the county commissioners of the tax to know the yearly valuation of property within said town, and to regulate the tax upon every hundred pounds worth of property by said valuation.

Commissioners to hear
appeals, &c.

XIX. And be it enacted, That appeals may be made by the persons to the special commissioners, thirty days after the assessments are made, and the said special commissioners are hereby required to meet thirty days after notice being given them by the appellants, and examine the persons appealing, upon their legal qualification, concerning the cause of their appeal, which qualification they are hereby authorized to administer, and upon such examination or other proof they are hereby empowered to diminish or add to such persons rate or assessment, as to them shall seem just and reasonable.

Collector to
account once
in six weeks,
&c.

XX. And be it enacted, That the said collector or collectors shall, once in six weeks at least, render a just account of, and bring in and pay to the treasurer, all such sums of money as he or they shall have received; and the said treasurer shall give receipts to the collector or collectors for what money they shall so bring in and pay, which receipts shall be the collector's discharge for so much; and the said treasurer shall, from time to time, signify in writing to the special commissioners, how much the collector or collectors have brought in and paid; and when the collector or collectors, or any of them, are negligent, or refuse to do their duty, the treasurer is hereby required to signify the same, by way of complaint, to the special commissioners aforesaid.

To make out
a duplicate,
&c.

XXI. And be it enacted, That the said collector or collectors make out a duplicate of the persons and things assessed, with the amount of the annual assessment, and lodge the same with the treasurer or special commissioners.

How collection is to
be made.

XXII. And be it enacted, That the collection be made monthly, quarterly, or yearly, or in one or more payments, as the special commissioners may direct, notices being previously given in the Baltimore news-papers to this effect.

Penalty on
neglect, &c.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That if upon complaint of the treasurer to the special commissioners it shall appear, that the said collector or collectors, having taken upon him or themselves the duties enjoined him