

manner and by the same rules as the property in said county ; and the return or returns of such valuation shall be made to the commissioners aforesaid, and not to the commissioners of the city of Baltimore, any thing in the aforesaid act to ascertain the value of the land in the several counties of this State, for the purpose of laying the public assessment to the contrary notwithstanding.

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8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, in their direction to the assessors by them to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall be governed in all respects by the provisions and directions of the act entitled, An act to ascertain the value of the land in the several counties of this State, for the purpose of laying the public assessment, passed at November session seventeen hundred and eighty-five, and of this act ; and the said commissioners are hereby authorised to call on the clerks of their counties to deliver them a list of alienations from the first day of June eighteen hundred and twelve, to the first meeting of the said commissioners in May next, and so from time to time as occasion may require, and also call on the clerks of their several counties for a list of all transfers of personal property which shall be recorded in their respective offices, and which shall take place after the assessment of the property in virtue of this act, from time to time as occasion may require.

Instructions to assessors—list of alienations and transfers shall be furnished by the county clerks.

9. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person appointed an assessor in virtue of this act, and who shall accept of his said appointment, shall neglect to return to the commissioners certificates for such valuation of the real and personal property in his district, agreeably to this act, and the instructions given to him, he shall for every such neglect, forfeit a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars ; and if any person appointed an assessor shall not appear at the time, or shall appear and refuse to serve, the said commissioners or a majority of them, shall appoint by warrant, under their hands, some other person qualified as aforesaid, as an assessor, in the room of the person so making default or refusing to serve ; and if such person shall also make default or refuse to act, they may proceed to a new appointment in like manner, and as often as necessary, until the vacancy be supplied ; and if any assessor shall die, or be rendered incapable to act, before he shall have fully completed his valuation, the said commissioners shall, by warrant under their hands, nominate some

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