

Dec. Ses. 1816. and ordinances necessary to preserve the health of the town; prevent and remove nuisances; to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases within the town, and within three miles of the same; to establish night watches or patrols, and erect lamps; to establish new streets, lanes and alleys, with the consent of three-fourths of the proprietors of the lots or houses adjoining such streets, lanes and alleys; to erect and repair bridges; to pave and keep in repair all necessary drains and sewers, and to pass all regulations necessary for the preservation of the same; to regulate and fix the assize of bread; to provide for the appointment, and define the duties of market-masters, gaugers, wood-corders, hay-weighers and inspectors; to provide for the safe keeping and preservation of the standard of weights and measures fixed by congress, or by an act of the state of Maryland, and for the regulating thereby all weights and measures used within the town; to regulate party walls and partition fences; to erect and regulate markets; to provide for licensing and regulating the sweeping or burning of chimneys, and fixing the rates thereof, within the town, and for regulating the sweeping of any chimney, by the neglect of which the safety of the town may be endangered, and to ascertain the size of those to be built in the town; to establish and regulate fire-wards and fire companies; to regulate and establish the size of bricks that are to be used in the said town; to restrain or prohibit gaming, and to provide for licensing, regulating, or restraining theatrical, or other public amusements, within the limits of the corporation; to erect and regulate pumps in the streets, lanes and alleys; to impose and appropriate fines, penalties and forfeitures, for the breach of their by-laws or ordinances; to lay and collect taxes; to enact by-laws for the prevention and extinguishment of fire; and to pass all ordinances necessary for paving and keeping in repair the streets, lanes and alleys, in the town aforesaid, and for widening the same with the consent of three-fourths of those interested; to tax any particular part or district of the town for paving the streets, lanes and alleys therein, or for sinking wells and erecting pumps, which may appear for the benefit of such particular part or district; to make a new assessment of all real and personal property, as often as it may be necessary; to punish corporally any servant or slave guilty of a breach of any ordinance, unless the master or mistress pay the fine annexed to the offence; and to pass all ordinances necessary to give effect and operation to all the powers vested in the corporation of the town of Frederick; all laws to be signed by the mayor.

Mayor's powers—oath.

11. *And be it enacted*, That the mayor and each of the aldermen, shall in virtue of their office, have and exercise within the limits of the corporation, all the jurisdiction and powers of a justice of the peace, except as to the recovery of small debts; the mayor may call upon any officer of the town entrusted with the receipt and expenditure of public money, for a statement of his accounts, as often as he or the corporation may conceive it necessary; he shall see that the ordinances are duly and faithfully executed, and shall report annually to the corporation, during the first five days of their session, a general state of the town, with an accurate account of the money received and expended, to be pub-