Chapter 183.

Passed May 25, 1852.

An Act pursuant to the sixth section of the tenth article of the Constitution, relative to Judges of Elections.

Act of 1805, chap. 97, in force, so far as not altered by this act.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the act entitled an act to reduce into one the several acts of Assembly respecting elections, and to regulate said elections, passed at the session of eighteen hundred and five, chapter ninety-seven, and the several supplements thereto, shall be in force and have effect in all elections, held pursuant to the present constitution, so far as the same are applicable, and are not altered or supplied by this act.

Judges to be appointed annually.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, that the judges of elections shall be appointed annually, that is to say, those for the several counties, by the county commissioners; and for the city of Baltimore, by the Mayor, and a convention of the two branches of the city council, as city officers are now appointed.

Oath.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, that the several judges may administer the oath, required to be taken, to each other, or take the same before a justice of the peace, and their clerks may either be sworn by one of the judges, or before a justice of the peace.

Return judge to make return in five days.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, that the returning judges shall make their returns in five days after each ejection, or sooner, if practicable; and such returns shall be made in the several counties to the respective clerks of the Circuit Courts, and in the city of Baltimore, to the clerk of the Superior Court of that city.

Repealed.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, that the twenty-third section of the act first aforesaid, which requires the Mayor of the city of Baltimore, to cause public notice to be given of elections, (except so far as relates to elections of the Mayor and City Council,) be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Chapter 250.

Passed May 26, 1852.

An Act to exempt the members of the City Council of Baltimore from the performance of Militia and Military duty, during their Sessions.

Exempted.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the members of the First and Second Branches of the City Council of Baltimore, be, and they are hereby declared to be exempt from the performance of militia and jury duty, during their sessions.

Chapter 296.

An Act to authorise the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, to appropriate a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for removing the Obstructions from the Bed of the Patapsco River, by Taxation or otherwise.

Passed May 26, 1852.

Authority to appropriate.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to appropriate a sum, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for removing the obstructions from the bed of the Patapsco river, beyond the limits of direct taxation in said city.

Empowered to raise money.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, that with a view to procure and raise the funds or money necessary for the appropriation authorized by this act, the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby empowered over and above any existing privilege, to raise money heretofore imposed upon them to borrow any amount of money, or issue stock on such terms and for such length of time, as they, the said Mayor and City Council, from time to time, may find convenient and expedient for the accomplishment of the purposes contemplated by this act, to the extent of the said sum of fifty thousand dollars.

Authority to levy.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, that the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, are hereby authorized and empowered, in addition to any power of taxation heretofore vested in them, to levy upon the assessable property, within the limits of the city of Baltimore, or collect by tax, according to the usual mode of raising money by taxation, in the said city of Baltimore, any sum or sums of money, which may be necessary to pay and discharge the principal and interest of any loan or loans, or issue of stock, which may be obtained or made by the said Mayor or City Council of Baltimore, in pursuance of this act, to the extent of the said sum of fifty thousand dollars.

Chapter 337.

An Act to provide for the General Valuation and Assessment of Property in this State.

Passed May 29, 1852.

Valuation.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that all the property, real, personal and mixed, and of all kinds and descriptions whatsover, now by law liable to be valued and assessed, and chargeable with taxes in this State, shall be valued agreeably to the directions of this act, and shall be chargeable according to such valuation, with the public assessment.