No. 20.

An Ordinance to provide for the appointment of Medical Examiners for the better performance of post-mortem examinations in medico-legal investigations.

To appoint a medical examiner and an assistant.

Section 1. Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the Board of Health be and is hereby authorized and required to appoint a Medical Examiner and also an Assistant Medical Examiner, to be selected from among the members of the medical profession in the City of Baltimore, competent to perform the duties required by this ordinance.

Term of office.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted and ordained, That the Medical Examiner and Assistant Medical Examiner, shall hold their offices for a term of two years from the time of their respective appointments, but shall be liable to removal from office at any time for cause shown.

Duties

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted and ordained, That the Medical Examiner shall, whenever called upon by the several Coroners, or the Board of Health, make post-mortem examinations in any part of the City, and such further medico-legal inquiries as may furnish the evidence required in any case, and shall, in each case, make promptly a formal report in writing of such examination and inquiry to the Board of Health and to the State's Attorney for the City.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted and ordained, That the Assistant Medical Examiner shall be present with the Medical Examiner at each post-mortem examination or other medico-legal inquiry, and shall efficiently assist therein. In the absence of the Medical Examiner, the Assistant Medical Examiner shall discharge all the duties of the Medical Examiner.

Salaries.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted and ordained, That for the services so performed, the Medical Examiner shall receive an annual salary of one thousand dollars, and the Assistant Medical Examiner an annual salary of five hundred dollars.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted and ordained, That all ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed, especially Ordinance No. 87, approved May 23d, 1882, and known as Section 5 A and 5 B of Article XXIII, supplement to the City Code of 1885, and Ordinance No. 50, approved April 20th, 1887.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted and ordained, That this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 8th, 1890.

ROBERT C. DAVIDSON, Mayor.