

Penalty on persons so appointed refusing to accept.

persons, so appointed by such Justices as last aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to accept the offices to which they shall have been appointed as last aforesaid, they shall severally incur the same penalties as are hereinbefore provided in the case of persons elected as aforesaid refusing or neglecting to accept the offices to which they have been elected, to be levied, paid and applied, in manner aforesaid; and it shall be lawful for such Justices to make successive appointments, in like manner as hereinbefore provided, until such offices shall have been accepted and the oath aforesaid taken.

In case of the death, removal, &c., of any of the officers, how their places are to be supplied.

XV. And be it further Ordained and Enacted, that if any of the said officers to be elected or appointed as aforesaid shall, after having accepted the said offices, or any of them, die, or remove from the Parish or Township, or reputed Parish or Township, or Union of Parishes or Townships, or of reputed Parishes or Townships as aforesaid, for which they have been elected or appointed, or shall become incapable of discharging the duties of the said offices, it shall be lawful for any two or more of the Justices of the Peace for the District in which such vacancy, removal, or incapacity shall occur, at a Special Session to be called for that purpose, by the Justice of the Peace or other person before whom the then last meeting for the election of officers for the local division shall have been held, or by the Warden of the District, to supply the place or places of such officers respectively, in the same manner as is hereinbefore provided, in the case of a neglect or omission to elect such officers, and under and subject to the same provisions.

Parishes, &c., of less than 300 souls not to elect officers, but to be united to some other Parish and disunited when their population exceeds that number.

XVI. Provided always, and be it further Ordained and Enacted, that it shall not be lawful to hold any meeting for the election of any of the officers aforesaid, in any Parish or Township, or reputed Parish or Township, in which the population shall not exceed the number of three hundred souls; and that any one or more of such Parishes or Townships, or reputed Parishes or Townships, in which the population shall not exceed that number, shall, by the Warden of the District within which the same respectively shall be situated in and by his Warrant to be issued for holding meetings as aforesaid, be for the purposes of this Ordinance, united to some other Parish or Township, or reputed Parish or Township adjacent thereto or to each other, as the said Warden in and by his said Warrant, from time to time shall appoint, and shall by the said Warrant be in like manner disunited so soon as they shall severally contain a population exceeding three hundred souls, and shall then be entitled severally to hold and exercise all the corporate rights and powers which, by virtue of this Ordinance, any Parish or Township, or reputed Parish or Township, is entitled to hold and exercise.

XVII.