

said vacancy shall occur, for the residue of the term thus made vacant.

## ARTICLE VI. TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 1. The Treasury Department of this State, shall consist of a Comptroller and Treasurer.

Sec. 2. The Comptroller shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at each regular election for members of the General Assembly. He shall hold his office for two years, commencing on the second Wednesday in January next ensuing his election, and shall receive an annual salary of twenty-five hundred dollars, but shall not be allowed, nor shall he receive any fees, commissions or perquisites of any kind, in addition thereto, for the performance of any official duty or service. He shall keep his office at the seat of Government, and shall take such oath, and enter into such bond for the faithful performance of his duty, as are now, or may hereafter be prescribed by law. A vacancy in the office of Comptroller shall be filled by the Governor for the residue of the term. The first election for Comptroller under this Constitution, shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, but the Comptroller then elected shall not enter upon the discharge of the duties of his office, until the expiration of the term of the present incumbent, unless the said office shall sooner become vacant.

Sec. 3. The Comptroller shall have the general superintendance of the fiscal affairs of the State; he shall digest and prepare plans for the improvement and management of the revenue, and for the support of the public credit, prepare and report estimates of the revenue and expenditure of the State, superintend and enforce the collection of all taxes and revenue, adjust, settle and preserve all public accounts, decide on the forms of keeping and stating accounts, grant, under regulations prescribed by law, all warrants for moneys to be paid out of the Treasury, in pursuance of appropriations by law, prescribe the formalities of the transfer of stock or other evidences of the State debt, and countersign the same, without which such evidences shall not be valid, he shall make full reports of all his proceedings, and of the state of the Treasury Department within ten days after the commencement of each session of the General Assembly, and perform such other duties as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall be elected on joint ballot, by the two Houses of the General Assembly, at each regular session thereof. He shall hold his office for two years, and shall