JOHN FRANCIS MERCER, Esquire, Governor.

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seventeen hundred and ninety-nine, did set forth, by their petition to the last general assembly of Maryland, that there remained uncollected a considerable sum of money in the districts in the county aforesaid, for which collection they became securities, and which money the said Conn was unable to collect, by reason of the prevalence of the yellow fever in the city of Baltimore, and prayed that they might be allowed a longer time to complete said collection: And whereas the last general assembly enacted a law, enabling the aid John Sprigg Belt, James Walker and Archibald Dorsey, the survivor or survivors of them, to collect the balances due for the year seventeen hundred and ninety, instead of seventeen hundred and ninety-nine; therefore,

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II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said John Sprigg Belt, James J. S. Belt, &c. Walker and Archibald Dorsey, the survivor or survivors of them, be and they are hereby autho- to collect, &c. rised to collect all balances remaining uncollected in the districts in which Robert Conn was collector for the year seventeen hundred and ninety-nine, at any time before the first day of October next, in the same manner as the said Robert Conn might have done while he was collector, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

III. And BE IT ENACTED, That the said John Sprigg Belt, James Walker and Archibald Dor- And deliver an . sey, the survivor or survivors of them, shall deliver to the persons chargeable with the same an account, written in words of full length, of the taxes demanded of them, with an annexed affidavit, if required, that the said Robert Conn hath not received, nor have they received, any part thereof, nor any thing as security or satisfaction for the same, more than credits given, to the best of their knowledge.

IV. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the said John Sprigg Belt, James Walker and Archi- Books to be bald Dorsey, before they derive any benefit from or under this act, shall lodge the said Robert lodged, &c. Conn's collector's books in the clerk's office of Anne-Arundel county, to be open to the inspection of all persons interested in the same.

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A Supplement to the act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money Passed 8th of January, 1808. for improving the navigation of the eastern branch of Patowmack

HEREAS by the original act to which this is a supplement, Henry Joseph Stier, Benjamin Preamble. Lowndes, Thomas Dick, Richard Ponsonby, Patrick Daugherty, William Bruce and Richard Cramphin, were appointed commissioners to carry into effect the provisions of the said act: And whereas Henry Joseph Stier, Benjamin Lowndes, Richard Ponsonby, Patrick Daugherty and William Bruce, have signified to this general assembly that it is not convenient for them to act, and Thomas Dick, another of the commissioners, bath left the state; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Richard Cramphin, one of the com- Commissioners missioners named in said act, and Richard Tasker Lowndes and William Steward, be and they are appointed, &c. hereby appointed commissioners to carry into effect the provisions of the said act, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby vested with all the powers and authorities which were by the said original act vested in the said Henry Joseph Stier, Benjamin Lowndes, Thomas Dick, Richard Ponsonby, Patrick Daugherty, William Bruce and Richard Cramphin.

C H A P. LXI.

An ACT to extend the powers of the trustees of the poor of Mont-Passed 8th of January, 1803. gomery county.

HEREAS John Draper, by his petition to this general assembly, hath set forth, that he is Preamble, now upwards of ninety years of age, and is much affiled with infirmities, and thereby rendered unable to support himself by labour, and prays that a law may pass for his support out of the poor-house; and the prayer of the petitioner appearing reasonable, therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the J. Draper to be trustees of the poor of the said county of Montgomery, if they shall be of opinion that the peculiar supported, &c. circumstances of the said John Draper are such as to render a situation in the poor-house particularly unsuitable for him, to support him as an out-pensioner, in addition to the number now allowed by