

fied and duly elected a senator, delegate, or elector of the senate, or being otherwise qualified and duly appointed or elected to any office of profit or trust, on making affirmation instead of taking the several oaths appointed by the constitution and form of government, and the several acts of assembly of this state now in force, or that hereafter may be made, such person may hold and exercise any office of profit or trust to which he may be appointed or elected, and may, by such affirmation, qualify himself to take a seat in the legislature, and to act therein as a member of the same in all cases whatever, or to be an elector of the senate, in as full and ample a manner, to all intents and purposes whatever, as persons are now competent and qualified to act who are not conscientiously scrupulous of taking such oaths.

II. **And be it enacted,** That if this act shall be confirmed by the general assembly, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directs, that in such case this act, and the alterations and amendment of the constitution and form of government therein contained, shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid, as a part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, any thing in the said constitution and form of government contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

If confirmed, to be a part of the constitution, &c.

III. **And be it enacted,** That the several clauses and sections of the constitution and form of government contrary to the provisions of this act, so far as they respect either of the sects or societies aforesaid, shall be and are hereby declared to be repealed and annulled, on the confirmation hereof.

Clauses, &c. repealed.

C H A P. L.

A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the removal of the seat of justice from Melville's Warehouse to Pig Point, in Caroline county.

Passed December 25.

WHEREAS by an act of assembly, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety, entitled, An act for the removal of the seat of justice from Melville's Warehouse to Pig Point, in Caroline county, William Richardson, Zebdiel Potter, Joseph Richardson, Peter Edmondson and Joshua Willis, were appointed commissioners for Caroline county, which commissioners, or a majority of them, were fully empowered and authorized to purchase a certain quantity of land at Pig Point aforesaid, (now called by the name of Denton,) for the purpose of erecting a court-house and gaol thereon; and the said commissioners, after purchasing the quantity of land they were authorized by the said act to do, for a certain sum of money contracted with William Benson, of Talbot, to build and complete a court-house on said land, which court-house is still unfinished: And whereas by death, refusal to act, and removal out of the county, of some of the said commissioners, Joseph Richardson is now the only acting commissioner, who is not empowered to fill up the said vacancies, nor to receive the said court-house when completed; therefore,

Preamble.

II. **Be it enacted,** by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Christopher Driver, William Robinson, Philemon Downes and Thomas Loockerman, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners for Caroline county aforesaid, in addition to Joseph Richardson, one of the commissioners in the aforesaid act named, who, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized, empowered and required, to execute and perform all the several trusts and powers reposed in and required of the commissioners in the said act appointed which shall or may remain unexecuted by them; and in case any of the said commissioners hereby appointed should die, refuse to act, or remove out of the said county, then and in such case the remaining commissioner or commissioners shall choose another person or persons in the room of him or them so dying, refusing to act, or removing out of the county aforesaid.

Commissioners appointed, &c.