

C H A P. XVII.

An ACT to empower John C. Beatty to collect the balances due him as sheriff and collector of Allegany county. Passed December 24.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of John C. Beatty, late sheriff and collector of Allegany county, that he was elected sheriff and collector of Allegany county in the month of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, and from that time has executed the office of sheriff and collector of the public taxes, county rates and officers fees, until the month of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four; that by reason of the late disturbances in the western counties of this state, and of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, he was prevented from finishing his collection as sheriff and collector aforesaid, and now hath many balances due; and the said John C. Beatty hath prayed he may be empowered to collect all such balances due him as aforesaid, in the same manner he might have done during the time of his commission and appointment, in virtue of his said several offices of sheriff and collector; and this general assembly, for the reasons stated in said petition, are willing to grant him some indulgence, Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said John C. Beatty be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to take, demand, collect and receive, all and every sum or sums of money, quantity or quantities of tobacco, due him as sheriff and collector of the public assessment, county rates or officers fees, for the year seventeen hundred and ninety-four, in the same manner as he might have done were his several offices unexpired, and the said John C. Beatty shall be allowed until the first day of September next to complete the collection of the balances aforesaid, and shall be allowed the same commission upon the said collections that he would have been entitled to had his several offices been unexpired. J. C. Beatty to collect, &c.

III. *Provided always, and be it enacted,* That the said John C. Beatty, or some person or persons authorized by him, shall, at least ten days before the execution or distress of property for the balances aforesaid, deliver to the person charged, or leave at his or her place of abode, a proved account, stating the taxes and the amount of fees, or such part thereof as may be claimed as due, together with all payments that may have been in any manner made by such person, and shall give at least five days notice, by advertisement at the most public places in the neighbourhood, of the time and place of sale, in case of such execution or distress; and provided also, that all the books of the said John C. Beatty, and his deputies, in which his accounts as sheriff and collector are stated and kept, shall be deposited in the hands of some person in the county town of the county aforesaid, to be inspected and examined by any person or persons who shall apply for the same, in order to ascertain any payments that may have been made upon his or their account. Proviso.

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An ACT to establish and regulate the market-house in the town of Cumberland, in Allegany county. Passed December 24.

BE it enacted, *by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the market-house erected on the east side of Will's creek in the town of Cumberland, and the lot of ground on which the same is built, shall and the same is hereby established the market-house and market-ground for the said town. Market-house established.

II. *And be it enacted,* That from and after the first day of May next, the Wednesday and Saturday of each and every week shall be held and considered as market-days for the said town, and the market-hours shall be from any time in the morning until nine o'clock of the said days, and all provisions brought to the said town for sale, within the market-hours aforesaid, shall be brought to the said market-house or ground aforesaid, and there sold or offered for sale; provided, that fish, butter by the cask, butchers meat on the hoof, or by the carcase, grain, flour, meal and bread, shall not be considered as provisions within the meaning of Market-days, &c.