

C H A P.
LXXX.An account to
be rendered,
&c.

V. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, after the said new bridge is finished, shall render to the justices of the peace of said county, at their next levy court, a full and fair account of the expenditures of the aforesaid sum of money, and if any surplus of money shall remain in the hands of the said commissioners, or any of them, they shall pay over the same to the justices of the peace, or some three of them, which shall be applied to defraying the public charges of said county.

C H A P. LXXXI.

Passed De-
cember 24.

An ACT further extending the time for making returns of certain certificates and plots.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears that several certificates and plots have not been returned to the land-office of the western shore within the time limited by an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, entitled, An act further extending the time for making returns of certain certificates and plots, and it is right and reasonable further to extend the said time; therefore,

Certain certi-
ficates to be
received, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all certificates and plots, made agreeably to and in virtue of an act, entitled, An act ascertaining the mode of getting titles to the purchasers of certain confiscated property, which shall or may be returned to the register of the land-office for the western shore on or before the first day of August next, shall be received by the examiner-general, and be of the same validity as if they had been executed and returned agreeably to the time mentioned in the first above recited act.

C H A P. LXXXII.

Passed De-
cember 24.

An ACT declaring the power of the governor in certain criminal cases.

Governor to
issue a war-
rant, &c.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the governor for the time being shall have full power and authority, and he is hereby required, whenever sentence of death is pronounced against any criminal by the judgment of any court of this state, to issue, under his hand, a warrant to the sheriff of the county who by such judgment ought by law to execute the same, to order and direct the said sheriff to execute the said judgment, at such time as in his warrant he shall appoint, pursuant to such judgment.

May com-
mute any sen-
tence, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That the governor for the time being shall have full power and authority, in his discretion, to commute or change any sentence or judgment of death, passed on any criminal by any court of this state, into other punishment of labour, or to banishment of such criminal from this state, upon such terms and conditions, and for such period, as he shall think expedient, and if such criminal be a slave, against whom any such judgment or sentence is or may be passed, to commute and change the said judgment into transportation and sale in some foreign country, for the benefit of the state.

And grant *noli*
prosequi on
conditions,
&c.

III. And be it enacted, That the governor for the time being shall have full power and authority, in granting any *noli prosequi* before sentence or judgment, to grant the same on such conditions, and under such limitations and restrictions therein contained, as in his discretion may appear most adviseable to preserve and secure the peace and good government of this state.

C H A P. LXXXIII.

Passed De-
cember 24.

An ACT to continue the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

Several acts
continued.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following acts of assembly, to wit: An act to prevent the exportation of bread and flour not merchantable, and for other purposes, passed November session, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one; another act, entitled, An act for the speedy application of the monies appropriated for repairing the streets in Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, and for other purposes, passed April session, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two; another act, entitled, An act to enable

1797 C 116.
Sum of that
act cont. the
acts here referred
to.