

1778.

L A W S of M A R Y L A N D.

C H A P. VII. ships by commission, annuities, and other annual sums, payable by any person within the state (except such as are chargeable on lands) all these are to be taxed 12/6 for every £. 100.

C H A P. VIII.

An ACT to prevent forestalling and engrossing, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

To continue until the end of the next session. A similar continuance by the act of March, 1779, ch. 10. Expired with July session, 1779, another act having been passed for the same purpose.

C H A P. IX.

An ACT to empower the justices of Dorchester county court to appoint a constable for the town of Cambridge.

At the expence of the inhabitants, to be levied (if at all) on them only.

C H A P. X.

An ACT for enlarging the powers of the governor and council.

See the act of March, 1778, ch. 13.

C H A P. XI.

An ACT for the special appointment of inspectors, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

To continue until the 30th of November, 1779. Expired.

C H A P. XII.

An ACT to revive and aid the proceedings of Talbot county court, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The discontinuance arose from the court's not meeting in August last. The proceedings to be reinstated at the next court, to be held on the Monday before the third Tuesday in December next, or, if the justices shall not meet on that day, on the last Monday in February next.

There are the usual provisions respecting new actions, abatements by death, bail given to the sheriff, and sureties for appearance to answer.

C H A P. XIII.

An ACT to empower James Sterett, Andrew Stigar, and George Lendenburger, to sell and dispose of the estate of Christopher Limes, for the purpose therein mentioned. PR.

C H A P. XIV.

An ACT for the relief of disabled and maimed officers, soldiers, marines, and seamen.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is thought just and expedient, that some provision should be made for such officers, soldiers, marines and seamen, as have been or may be disabled or maimed in the service of the United States, during the present war with Great-Britain :

Disabled officers, &c. to receive half pay, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That every commissioned officer, non-commissioned officer, and private foldier, who have or shall lose a limb, or have been or shall be so disabled in the service of the United States of America, as to render him incapable of getting a livelihood, and who, at the time of entering into the service of the said United States, was or shall be enlisted or recruited by this state, shall receive during his life, or the continuance of such disability, the one half of his monthly pay, from and after the time that his pay as an officer or soldier ceases. And that every commander of any ship of war or armed vessel, commissioned officer, warrant officer, marine or seaman, belonging to the United States of America, who have or shall lose a limb, or have been or shall be otherwise so disabled in the service of the said States, as to be rendered incapable of getting a livelihood, and who, at the time of engaging in the said service, was or shall be enlisted or recruited by this state, shall receive during his life, or continuance of such disability, the one half of his monthly pay, from and after the time that his pay as an officer, or marine, or seaman, ceases, to be paid as hereafter mentioned.

Proviso

III. Provided nevertheless, That in case a prize was or shall be taken at the time such loss of limb or other disability did or shall happen, then such sum as he