

C H A P. VIII.

An ACT to continue the civil causes depending in the general court for the western shore, and for other purposes.

The causes are continued until October term, and shall stand for trial on the same days in that term as are noted on the docket for the present term; or the court may, at discretion, appoint other days.

And the court of appeals, and the general court, are authorized, at their discretion, to continue any cause now depending therein, beyond the time heretofore by law limited, and until it shall appear to them that justice may be fully administered.

C H A P. IX.

An ACT for removing original papers in the late prerogative office, to the several counties in this state.

Transcript to be made, &c.

BE it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That the officer having the custody of the original papers in the late prerogative office, shall make a fair transcript or record of all original papers which remain unrecorded; and, after having recorded the same, shall sort out, list and pack up, in distinct parcels, all the original papers to each county belonging, or in any manner appertaining to the estates of deceased persons; and such papers, so sorted, the officer aforesaid shall deposit, in boxes or packages to be prepared by him for that purpose, and the same shall have ready to deliver unto the register of wills for each county, by the first day of November next, and immediately thereafter give notice to the register of wills for each county, that the aforesaid original papers are packed up and ready to be delivered, under the penalty of one hundred pounds current money; and the registers of wills aforesaid shall safely transmit such original papers contained in said boxes and packages, to their respective counties, within twenty days after receipt thereof, under the penalty of thirty pounds like money; and the officer packing up such original papers shall be entitled to one hundred pounds current money for his services.

Register to sort original papers, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That the register of wills for each respective county shall, within twelve months, in like manner sort out, list and pack up, in a distinct parcel or parcels, all original papers which he may receive belonging to any other county, and shall immediately thereafter give notice to the register of wills for such county, that the aforesaid original papers are packed up and ready to be delivered, under the penalty of thirty pounds current money.

And record them, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That the registers of wills aforesaid shall, and they are hereby required, to record the said original papers, among the records of the orphans court in their respective counties, in a convenient time after the receipt thereof; and each of the said registers shall be entitled to a reasonable reward for their respective services, for removing and recording said papers; and the several and respective county courts are hereby authorized and empowered to levy and assess the same, in the same manner as other county charges are levied and assessed.

C H A P. X.

An ACT giving a further time for the payment of the taxes levied for the present year, and other purposes therein mentioned.

The first collection is postponed to the first of August, &c.

C H A P. XI.

An ACT to establish a market-house in Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, and for the regulation of the same.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by sundry inhabitants of Washington county, that they labour under many great inconveniencies, for want of a market-house in Elizabeth-town, in said county; that a large and commodious space of ground was laid out for that purpose, in the center of said town, and appropriated for said purpose; and that the said petitioners propose to build thereon at their own expence; and it appearing reasonable to grant the prayer of said petition: Therefore,

Commissioners to lay out ground, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That Henry Shryock, Matthias Need, and Martin Harry, be and are hereby nominated and appointed commissioners,