

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Mary Cox, widow of the said James Cox, shall be and she is hereby entitled, on application to the governor and council, to receive an order on the treasurer of the western shore for a sum of money not exceeding the half pay of a major of militia, yearly and every year during her widowhood.

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XXII.
M. Cox to receive an order, &c.

C H A P. XXIII.

An ACT to lay a further tax on the people of Harford county to complete the public buildings of said county, and for other purposes.

Passed December 22.

WHEREAS the funds provided for erecting the public buildings of Harford county have proved insufficient for the purpose;

Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the justices of said county be and they are hereby empowered, at their next term after the passage of this act, to assess on the assessable property in said county the sum of two shillings and six-pence on every hundred pounds worth of property, together with the sheriff's commission for collection; which said sum, so to be assessed, shall be collected by the sheriff of said county in the same manner as the public and county assessments are by law collected; and the same, when collected, shall by the said sheriff be paid to the order of the said justices in court sitting, for the purpose of completing the public buildings in said county.

Justices to levy 2/6, &c.

III. *And,* whereas before the erection of part of Baltimore county into a new county by the name of Harford, the inhabitants of that part of Baltimore county so erected into a new county, had paid a proportionable quantity of tobacco towards the building the court-house and prison in Baltimore-town, and a considerable sum of money was raised by the sale of the old court-house and prison at Joppa, and applied towards building the new court-house and prison in Baltimore-town: And whereas, in order that the said proportionable quantity of tobacco, and proportionable part of the money for which the said old court-house and prison at Joppa were sold, should be refunded and applied towards building the court-house and prison to be erected in the new county by the name of Harford, it was, by the act of seventeen hundred and seventy-three, entitled, An act for the division of Baltimore county, and erecting a new one by the name of Harford, enacted, that the justices of Baltimore county should assess and levy, by two equal assessments, the next year and year afterwards, with their public and county levy, the quantity of one hundred and fifty-four thousand six hundred and sixty-six pounds of tobacco, in and upon the taxable inhabitants of Baltimore county, together with the sheriff's salary of five *per centum* for collection; which said quantity of tobacco, so to be assessed and levied, should be collected by the sheriff of Baltimore county from the taxable inhabitants thereof, in the same manner as other public and county levies are by law collected; and the said tobacco, when collected, should be paid by the said sheriff to the commissioners aforesaid, and should by them be applied towards building the court-house and prison in the said county of Harford: And whereas it appears to this general assembly, that only seventy-seven thousand three hundred and thirty-three pounds of tobacco was collected under the said act, and that the residue of the said one hundred and fifty-four thousand six hundred and sixty-six pounds of tobacco still remains to be collected and paid for the use of Harford county: *Be it enacted,*

Justices of Baltimore county to assess £483 6 7, &c.

That the justices of Baltimore county be and they are hereby authorized and required, to assess on the assessable property in said county, at their next April term, the sum of four hundred and eighty-three pounds six shillings and seven-pence, together with the sheriff's commission for collection; which said sum, so to be assessed, shall be collected by the sheriff of Baltimore county from the inhabitants thereof, in the same manner as the public and county assessments are by law collected, and the same, when collected, shall be paid by the said sheriff to the order of the justices of Harford county court, to be by them applied towards completing the court-house and prison in the said county of Harford; provided always, that if it shall appear to the court of Baltimore county, that