

C H A P.
XLV.

and to report a statement of the facts to the chancellor; and the said commissioners, so appointed and accepting the trust reposed in them by virtue of this act, shall forthwith repair before the chancellor, by whom an oath, or affirmation, shall be administered to the said commissioners for the faithful execution of their trust; and thereupon the said commissioners shall fix upon a time and place for hearing the allegations of the parties, and shall give sufficient notice thereof, by public advertisement, for the information of the creditors and all persons concerned; and the said commissioners shall accordingly meet at such time and place, and then and there hear, receive and examine, by all lawful ways and means, the allegations, proofs, books, papers and vouchers, of the parties, and make a distinct report of all and singular the facts appearing in the case, to the chancellor with all convenient speed, and the chancellor shall thereupon determine upon the truth of the respective allegations; and if it shall appear that the said Dennis Griffith hath been guilty of any fraud, embezzlement, or concealment of his property, with design to deceive or injure his creditors, or any of them, then the said Dennis Griffith shall receive no benefit or relief in virtue of this act; but if the chancellor shall be of a different opinion, then the said Dennis Griffith shall proceed to relieve himself according to the directions of the act to which this is a supplement, in the same manner as if this power had not been vested in the chancellor; and each of the said commissioners shall be entitled to receive from the property of the said Dennis Griffith, at the rate of twenty shillings by the day for each day they shall be employed in this service.

C H A P. XLVI.

Passed De-
cember 21.

An ACT to empower the corporation of the city of Annapolis to suppress public and excessive gaming.

Mayor, &c.
may prohibit
gaming, &c.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common-council-men, of the city of Annapolis, shall be and are hereby authorized and empowered, from time to time, to make and execute any by-law or ordinance for prohibiting, restraining and punishing, any public and excessive gaming in the said city, and the precincts thereof.

Precincts as-
certained.

II. And be it enacted, That the said precincts, and power of the said corporation, shall extend to a line drawn south from the head of Dorsey's Creek, on the north-west of the said city, at or near the poor-house, to the creek on the south side thereof, called the Spa Creek, and all persons within the said city, and said precincts to the extent of said line, shall be subject to the by-laws or ordinances of said corporation.

C H A P. XLVII.

Passed De-
cember 21.

A further supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act for building a new church in the city of Annapolis.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the whole of the money subscribed for building a new church in the city of Annapolis has been expended, and the said church remains unfinished; and it is further represented, that if a new subscription was opened, that a considerable sum of money would be subscribed by the citizens of Annapolis, for the purpose of finishing the said church; therefore,

New sub-
scription to be
opened, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Charles Wallace, James Brice and major John Davidson, or any one of them, be empowered to open a new subscription for the purpose of finishing the new church in the city of Annapolis; and when the said subscription shall be closed, and the money collected, the said Charles Wallace, James Brice, and John Davidson, or any of them, shall proceed to the finishing the said church agreeably to the directions of the original act.

III. And