

Passed December 27.

An ACT to authorise the commissioners for building a court-house at Easton, in Talbot county, to sell and dispose of the old court-house, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the commissioners for building a court-house at Easton, in Talbot county, are of opinion that the spot on which the old court-house now stands is the most proper site for the new building: And whereas the records, books, and some other things belonging to the public, are deposited in the said old court-house;

Commissioners to sell the old court-house, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners for building a court-house in Talbot county, or the majority of them, are hereby authorised and empowered to sell and dispose of the old court-house to such person or persons, and on such terms and conditions, as to them shall seem most fit, and to dispose of the money arising from the sale thereof in such manner as they shall think most proper for carrying into execution the act for building the said court-house.

And direct a repository to be provided, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, may give notice to, and direct, the clerk of Talbot county, and the register of wills for the said county, to provide each of them a safe and convenient repository, within the limits of the town of Easton, for the records, books, papers, book cases, writing desks, and other things belonging to the public, then being in the said clerk's and register's offices; and that the said clerk and register of wills shall, within thirty days from the time of such notice, provide, under penalty of fifty pounds, each of them a safe and convenient repository, within the limits of the town of Easton, into which they shall each of them, under the aforesaid penalty, within ten days after he shall have provided the repository aforesaid, remove all the records, books, papers, book cases, writing desks, and other things belonging to the public, and then being in each of their offices, there to be kept by, and under the care of, the said clerk and register of wills in the same manner as before their removal.

Clerk, &c. on notice, to remove records, &c.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That the clerk of Talbot county, and the register of wills for said county, shall, under the same penalty as aforesaid, within ten days after they shall have notice from the commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, that fit and convenient rooms are finished in the new court-house, and ready for the reception of the records, books, papers, and other things belonging to the public, each of them remove and place in such newly prepared room as by the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall to each of them be allotted, all such records, books, papers, and other things belonging to the public, as shall then be in his custody and possession as clerk of the county of Talbot, and register of wills for said county, and that the said rooms be from thenceforward deemed the clerk's office of Talbot county, and the office of the register of wills of the said county of Talbot.

Expences to be allowed, &c.

V. *And be it enacted,* That all reasonable expences incurred by the said clerk of the county, and the said register of wills, in removing the said records, books, papers, and other things belonging to the public, and in providing a repository for the same, shall be allowed in the county levy, and the justices of peace of the said county of Talbot are hereby empowered to levy and assess the same on the assessable property of the said county of Talbot.

Passed December 27.

An ACT for the benefit of the vestry of Saint-James's parish, in Baltimore county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the vestry of Saint-James's parish, in Baltimore county, have represented to this general assembly, that the rector and vestry of Saint-John's parish, in said county, in seventeen hundred and sixty-