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An A C T to empower the justices of Somerset county, to levy on the inhabitants of the said county, a sum of money sufficient to erect a bridge over the river Wiccomico, at the town of Salisbury.

Preamble.

W H E R E A S a great number of the inhabitants of Somerset county, have by their humble petition set forth to this general assembly, that the bridge over Wiccomico river, at the town of Salisbury, was, some time in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-five, destroyed by a great flood of rain, and has ever since remained in ruins, though the said bridge was of public utility, and the main road leading from the town of Vienna to the town of Salisbury crossed the said bridge, and there hath never since been any other road established by law between the said towns of Vienna and Salisbury, and that the rebuilding of the said bridge would be of great public utility; all which facts appearing to be true,

Justices to levy money, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the justices of Somerset county, or a majority thereof, be and are hereby fully authorized, empowered and directed, to levy on the inhabitants and property assessed in the said county, according to the value of each person's property assessed in said county, a sum of money not exceeding two hundred pounds current money, for the purpose of erecting a good and sufficient bridge over the river Wiccomico, at the town of Salisbury; which said sum shall be levied by the said justices at their next June court, and be collected by the collector of the said county, in the same manner, and for the same allowance, that the public taxes are collected.

To contract for building a bridge, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the said justices, or a majority thereof, be and are hereby fully authorized and empowered, to contract with such person or persons as they may judge proper, to build the said bridge; which said bridge shall be so built as not to obstruct the navigation of the said river for flats and other small craft, and unless the said bridge be so built the same shall not be received by the said justices.

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An additional Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the liquidation and payment of debts against persons convicted of treason.

Preamble.

W H E R E A S by an act, entitled, An act for the liquidation and payment of debts against persons convicted of treason, and the supplement thereto, all persons are authorized to carry into, and lodge with the treasurer of the western shore, their several claims against persons convicted of treason, but neither of the above recited acts fix any time for the distribution and payment of such claims; therefore,

Treasurer to give notice, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed, to advertise in the