

section 5, the regulations, &c. in this act, (except such parts as relate to the retailing of liquors by merchants or store-keepers, or at horse-races,) are declared to be in full force for ever as to the granting licences on the eastern shore, and a similar provision is made as to the western shore by 1784, ch. 37, section 22, (except as to the city of Annapolis.)

JUNE, 1780.—CHAPTER 11.

AN ACT to revive actions and process in the Court of Appeals, to enable any one judge to adjourn the said court, and to direct the oath of the judges in case of appeals from the Court of Chancery.

This law has ceased by the provisions of 1804, ch. 55, and 1805, ch. 65.

CHAPTER 28.

AN ACT relating to loans in specie, tenders for debts and contracts in future, and the establishment of a bank for public purposes.

This act related to bills of credit issued by the continental congress.

OCTOBER, 1780.—CHAPTER 10.

AN ACT to enable the Sheriffs of this state to take Bail Bonds in certain cases.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the sheriffs of this state have not heretofore been empowered to take bail bonds of persons taken on criminal writs, whereby much inconvenience is derived to the sheriffs, much trouble to the civil magistrate, and much delay to the administration of justice ;

Sheriffs
may take
bail, &c.

SEC. 2. *Be it therefore enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the first day of April next, it shall and may be lawful for all and every of the sheriffs of this state, and their deputies, to take bail bonds of all persons taken by them on any criminal writ, for any offence less than felony, with security, if the said sheriffs or their deputies shall think it necessary ; and that the said sheriffs and their deputies shall be obliged, on serving any criminal writ as aforesaid, to take a bail bond of the criminal, and his or her security, if security is judged necessary as aforesaid, in a sum not exceeding one hundred pounds, to be paid to the state of Maryland, conditioned, that the said criminal shall appear in court on the day the said writ is returnable, attend the court from day to day, and not depart therefrom without leave of the said court ; and in case the said criminal shall not be considered by the sheriff or his deputy sufficient for the sum aforesaid, and cannot find sufficient security, to be approved of as aforesaid, that then the said sheriff or his deputy shall take the said criminal before a magistrate to be dealt with agreeable to the law now in force ; and that the said sheriff shall return the said bail bonds to the court of his respective county, on the first day of the said court to which the said writ is returnable.