

CHAP. 118. same manner, and upon the same terms and conditions, as if he had obtained the assent of two thirds of his creditors to his release under the same.

CHAP. CXIX.

Passed Dec 22

An Act for the benefit of John, James, William and Ann Elizabeth Johnson, Heirs and Devisees of Barnett Johnson, and of Benjamin Rigdon, of Harford County. Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 444. A Private Act.

Authorising the executing conveyances to them by certain commissioners appointed for making sale of the real estate of Benjamin and Thomas Wheeler, deceased.

CHAP. CX.

Passed Dec 21.

An Act authorising a Lottery to raise a sum of money for building a Masonic Hall, in the City of Baltimore, and to repeal the Acts of Assembly therein mentioned, Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 446.

Preamble.

WHEREAS a petition hath been presented to this general assembly, by John Crawford, Peter Galt and Abraham Larsh, officers of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Maryland, on behalf of themselves and those under their jurisdiction, stating that an act of the general assembly was heretofore passed, authorising the raising a sum of money by lottery for the purpose of erecting a Masonic Hall in the city of Baltimore; that several supplements have been passed to said law, but the same are found inadequate to the purposes intended; and praying that a law may be passed authorising the raising a sum of money by lottery for the purposes aforesaid, therefore,

Schemes may be proposed.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John Crawford, Tobias E. Watkins, Peter Little, Peter Galt, Abraham Larsh, jun. Samuel Moale, Edward J. Coale, George Winchester, William Greetham, Solomon Etting, James Barroll, William Steuart, John Ogston, Jacob Small, George Keyser, Edward Palmer, William Camp, William M. Donald, Isaac Dickson, Joseph K. Stapleton, Edward G. Woodyear, Beale Randall, Charles Wirgman, Thomas Sweeting and Jonathan Meredith, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery or lotteries, and to sell and dispose of the tickets, as well in the city of Baltimore as in any other part of the state, clear of the city taxes, any law to the contrary notwithstanding, for raising a sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of purchasing a lot of ground, and erecting thereon a Masonic Hall, in the city of Baltimore.

Managers to give bond

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That before the said John Crawford, Tobias E. Watkins, Peter Little, Peter Galt, Abraham Larsh, jun. Samuel Moale, Edward J. Coale, George Winchester, William Greetham, Solomon Etting, James Barroll, William Steuart, John Ogston, Jacob Small, George Keyser, Edward Palmer, William Camp, William M. Donald, Isaac Dickson, Joseph K. Stapleton, Edward G. Woodyear, Beale Randall, Charles Wirgman, Thomas Sweeting and Jonathan Meredith, proceed to make sale of any ticket or tickets in said lottery or lotteries, they shall give bond in the penalty of one hundred thousand dollars, conditioned that they will well and truly conduct the drawing of said lottery or lotteries, and within sixty days after the drawing thereof, ap-