CHAP. 127. missioners, and they, or a majority of them, are authorised and directed to lay off Dorchester county into five separate districts, and to number the same, carefully making the several districts as nearly equal as possible, having regard to population, extent, and the convenience of the voters, and also to make choice of a place in each district at which the elections shall be held, as nearly central as shall be practicable, having regard to the circumstances aforesaid, and the accommodation of persons attendant upon such elections; and the said commissioners shall, on or before the first day of July next, deliver to the clerk of Dorchester county court, a description, in writing, under their hands and seals, specifying plainly the boundaries and number of each district which shall be divided and laid off under this act, and also the place in each district where the election for such districts shall be hereafter held. and the said clerk shall record the same among the records of the

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county. 2. And BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners appointed by virtue of this act, shall meet at the usual place of holding the county court in said county, on the first Monday of May next, for the purpose of performing the duties of this act; and the commissioners so meeting may adjourn from time to time, and place to place, until the whole be completed.

Clerk to furnish sheriff with copies ines.

3. And BE IT ENACTED. That it shall be the duty of the clerk of of their proceed. Dorchester county to furnish to the sheriff of said county four copies of the proceedings of the said commissioners, who shall cause one copy of the same to be set up at the court-house door of said county, at least three weeks before the next election, and who also shall cause one other copy to be set up at each place of holding the election on the day of the next election.

Commissioners' allowance.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, For all services performed by the commissioners aforesaid by virtue of this act, the levy court of Dorchester county shall make reasonable compensation, and shall levy the same upon the said county, and the same shall be collected and paid as other county charges.

Act to have effect ounditionally.

- 5. AND BE IT ENACTED. That this act shall be deemed and considered as having no effect to increase the number of districts or to change the place of holding the elections of the said county, as at present fixed, unless the act, entitled, An act to repeal all that part of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Dorchester county into three separate election districts, passed at this session(a), be confirmed by the next session of the general assembly.
 - (a) Ch. 35, which act was confirmed by 1817, ch. 42.

CHAP. CXXVIII.

Passed Jan 27 1817 A Supplement to the Act*, entitled, An act for the benefit of the Heirs of John Stevens, deceased, of Worcester County. Lib. TH. 1815, ch. 45. No. 5, fol. 268. A Private Act.

CHAP. CXXIX.

Passed Jan 27 1817 A Supplement to the act+, entitled, An act relating to Sheriffs, and for + Dec 1313, ch. other purposes. Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 269.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That goods, &c. to be the due and legal notice required to be given by any sheriff, co-