

CHAP. 154. 19. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That said commissioners be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to retain out of the monies which may come to their hands, a sufficient sum from time to time to pay and discharge the expenses of drawing said lotteries, including the rent of an office for transacting their business, or drawing said lotteries, rendering an account thereof to the treasurer in the first return made to him after such expenses are actually paid.

Commissioners
may retain money
to pay expenses

CHAP. CLV.

Passed Feb 11, 1818 *An Act to confirm the title to sundry Lots of Ground to the Trustees of that part of the Methodist Episcopal Church called Sardis Chapel, in Talbot County. Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 87.*

Right vested in
trustees

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all the right, title, interest and claim, of, in and to, half of lot number thirty-seven, and half of lot number thirty-eight, as described in the plot of St. Michael's, in Talbot county, and expressed in a deed from James Braddock to James Benson and others, trustees for the society called Methodists, bearing date the sixth day of June, seventeen hundred and eighty-two, be and the same is hereby vested in, and confirmed to, the trustees and their successors, of that part of the Methodist Episcopal Church called Sardis Chapel in Talbot county, any deficiency or defect in said deed notwithstanding.

CHAP. CLVI.

Passed Feb 11, 1818 *An Act to impose a Tax on all Banks or Branches thereof in the State of Maryland not chartered by the Legislature. Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 88.*

Tax on branch,
established in the
state without its
authority

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That if any bank has established, or shall without authority from the state first had and obtained, establish any branch, office of discount and deposit, or office of pay and receipt, in any part of this state, it shall not be lawful for the said branch, office of discount and deposit, or office of pay and receipt, to issue notes in any manner, of any other denomination than five, ten, twenty, fifty, one hundred, five hundred and one thousand dollars, and no note shall be issued except upon stamp paper of the following denominations; that is to say, every five dollar note shall be upon a stamp of ten cents; every ten dollar note upon a stamp of twenty cents; every twenty dollar note upon a stamp of thirty cents; every fifty dollar note upon a stamp of fifty cents; every one hundred dollar note upon a stamp of one dollar; every five hundred dollar note upon a stamp of ten dollars; and every thousand dollar note upon a stamp of twenty dollars; which paper shall be furnished by the treasurer of the western shore, under the direction of the governor and council, to be paid for upon delivery; *Provided always*, that any institution of the above description may relieve itself from the operation of the provisions aforesaid, by paying annually, in advance, to the treasurer of the western shore, for the use of the state, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

Proviso

Penalty on officers
offending, &c

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the president, cashier, each of the directors and officers of every institution established, or to be established as aforesaid, offending against the provisions aforesaid, shall forfeit a sum of five hundred dollars for each and every offence; and every person having any agency in circulating any note