CHAP. 25. seizing the same to sell the same by public vendue in the said village, within three days, between the hours of ten and twelve of the forenoon of the said day, and the monies thereon arising to apply to his, her or their own proper use.

Commissioners to take an oath.

8. And BE IT ENACTED, That every commissioner appointed in pursuance of this act, before he shall proceed to execute his office, shall take an oath, or affirmation, before some justice of the peace, that he will diligently and faithfully, according to the best of his judgment, perform the duties of a commissioner of the said village, according to the directions of this act, without favour, partiality or prejudice; and a certificate of such qualification shall be made and returned by such justice of the peace to the said commissioners, to be filed and recorded among their proceedings.

CHAP. XXVI.

Passed Jan. 8, 1803 An Act for the benefit of William Thomas of Prince-George's County. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 231. A Private Act.

CHAPTER XXVII.

Passed Jan. 8, 1803 A Supplement to the act, * entitled, An act to regulate the Inspection of Tobacco. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 232.

Preamble.

WHEREAS by an act of assembly, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and one, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of tobacco, and to which this is a supplement, no person or persons are permitted to export, or carry out of this state by land or water, any tobacco unless in hogsheads, inspected, passed and marked, at some public warehouse, under the fines, penalties and forfeitures, in the said act mentioned: And whereas great and manifest injury and inconvenience is suffered by the citizens of this state, in being prohibited from transporting and carrying their tobacco into the county of Washington in the District of Columbia, before the same is packed in hogsheads, inspected, passed and marked as aforesaid, at some public warehouse; therefore,

Tobacco may be ty, Columbia.

2. Be IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That exported into
Washington coun- from and after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful for any inhabitant of this state to export, or carry by land or water, any tobacco, either in hogsheads or otherwise, without the same having been first inspected, passed and marked, at any public warehouse, into the said county of Washington, in the said District of Columbia, any thing in the said act to which this is a supplement to the contrary notwithstanding.

No person to be prosecuted for doing so.

3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That from and after the passing of this act, no person or persons shall be prosecuted, or in any manner molested, for any fine, penalty or forfeiture, heretofore incurred for having carried any tobacco into the said county of Washington, in the district of Columbia, contrary to the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement; and that any fine, penalty or forfeiture, which any person may be liable for on account of having carried tobacco into the county aforesaid, and for which a prosecution is now depending or commenced, so far as the interest of the state extends, be and the same is hereby remitted and released; Provided, that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend, to affect the right which any person may have acquired as informer of any such offence, but that all such penalties,

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