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ing the recognizance at the said court, a default and judgment may be entered, and execution may be issued accordingly, or without calling the said recognizance it shall be in the discretion of the court to respite the same until the succeeding term.

* 1794, ch. 54.

And, whereas it is required by an act, * entitled, An act for the amendment of the law in certain cases, that all sheriff's bonds shall be taken between the eighth day of October and the first day of Ja-Justices to meet to nuary in each year, BE IT ENACTED, That the justices of the said court may and they are hereby required to meet on or before the first day of February next, and to take the sheriff's bond, and do

and perform the several duties which were required to be done on the day to which the said court stood adjourned, and such proceedings shall be as good and valid, to all intents and purposes, as if the said court had met according to adjournment.

Court may adjourn to any day they think proper,

4. And BE IT ENACTED, That the said court, at the meeting aforesaid, shall have full power to call and adjourn the same to any day or days they may think proper, in the same manner as they might or could have done in case they had attended on said day.

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Passed Jan. 7, 1804 An Act for erecting Buildings for the use of the Poor of Queen-Anne's County, and for other purposes. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 464

Supplements, 1804, ch. 24. 1806, ch. 61, and 1808, ch. 60.

Preamble.

Whereas it has been represented to this general assembly, by the trustees of the poor, and other citizens, of Queen-Anne's county, that the buildings appropriated to the use of the poor in said county are too small for their comfort and accommodation, and are situated in an inconvenient part of the county, and pray that a law may pass for erecting suitable buildings in a proper and convenient situation; therefore.

Levy authorised

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That land and creeting the justices of the levy court of Queen-Anne's county be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to assess and levy on the assessable property in said county, at the time of laying the next county levy, a sum of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, together with six per cent. for collecting the same, for the purpose of purchasing land, and erecting thereon buildings, for the use and accommodation of the poor in said county.

Trustees to contract for and purchase land.

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3. And BE IT ENACTED, That the trustees of the poor of Queen-Anne's county for the time being be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to contract for and purchase, in fee-simple, to be conveyed to, and held in trust by, the trustees of the poor of said county, and their successors for ever, as public land for the use of the poor of said county, a tract or parcel of land, not less than ten nor more than twenty acres, to be located in a compact form, in a convenient and suitable place on the navigable waters of Corsica creek, and near the head thereof, and the money agreed to be paid for the said land by the commissioners shall be paid out of the first money which comes into the hands of the said commissioners in virtue of this act; and the said land, when purchased and conveyed to the trustees of the poor as aforesaid, shall be bounded with stones set up at each corner thereof, and the plot of the same, with a certificate and explanation, together with the deed of conveyance, shall