

## CHAP. 19.

Duration.

12. AND BE IT ENACTED, That this act shall continue in force until the expiration of the year eighteen hundred and fifteen, and until the end of the next session of assembly thereafter.

Further continued and extended by 1815, ch. 167, to 1st January 1835, &c.

## CHAP. XX.

Passed Dec 31

*An Act to authorise and empower the Levy Court of Prince-George's County to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned.* Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 214.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Thomas Butt, of Prince-George's county, by his petition to this general assembly has set forth, that by reason of his very advanced age and infirmities he is rendered incapable of supporting himself by labour, the only means by which he hath heretofore procured a subsistence, and praying that a law may pass for his support out of the poor-house; and the facts stated in the said petition appearing to be true, and the prayer thereof being reasonable, therefore,

Levy authorized  
for support of  
Thomas Butt.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the levy court of Prince-George's county shall be and they are hereby directed and empowered, at their levy court annually, so long as they shall see cause, to assess and levy, on the assessable property of said county, a sum of money, not exceeding thirty dollars, for the support and maintenance of the said Thomas Butt, and the same to be collected annually by the collector of Prince-George's county, and paid to such person or persons, for the support of the said Thomas Butt, as the levy court of said county shall direct.

## CHAP. XXI.

Passed Dec 31

*An Additional Supplement to an act, (a) entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying Execution, and repealing the Acts of Assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes.* Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 215.

(a) 1791, ch. 67. See 1801, ch. 62, and the acts there referred to.

Preamble.

\*1801, ch. 62.

WHEREAS many inconveniencies have arisen under the law\*, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying execution, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes; therefore,

Constable neglecting to make return of any execution, &c. may be fined.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in case any constable shall neglect to make due return of any execution directed to him by virtue of this act, to which this is supplement, it shall be lawful for the justice who issued the said execution, on proof of the delivery of the writ of execution to the said constable, to call such constable before him, and unless a good excuse is offered, to fine such constable any sum not exceeding fifteen shillings, and such justice may thereupon allow a future day, not exceeding fourteen days, to such constable to make return thereof, and in case such constable shall fail to make return by the time limited, it shall and may be lawful for such justice, at the request of the plaintiff, his agent or attorney, to enter judgment against said constable, and his securities, in favour of the plaintiff, for the amount of his debt and costs; and in case any constable shall make due return of any execution directed to him as aforesaid, by which it shall appear that he has taken the body of the defendant, and shall fail to produce him, it shall be lawful for the justice before whom the