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A lot of ground may be purchased for that purpose.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of Charles-town, in Ceril county, for the time being, and their successors, be and they are hereby enabled to apcertain monies or being, and their successive, we must be applied to the public property of said erection of a house ply the monies arising from the rents of the public property of said town town to the erection of a house of religious worship in said town for the use of the inhabitants thereof.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED. That the commissioners of said town for the time being, and their successors, be and they are hereby enabled to purchase and hold, in fee-simple, to them and their successors, for ever, within the limits of said town, a lot of ground, not exceeding two acres, for the purpose aforesaid.

House to be for use of Presbyteri-an church, &c.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED. by the Authority aforesaid, That the house aforesaid, when erected, shall be for the use of the presbyterian church in the first place, but that whenever the same shall not be occupied, or actually appointed to be occupied, by any minister of that church, it shall and may, in the discretion of the commissioners, be opened to any minister or preacher of any other denomination; Provided nevertheless, that the power by this act given shall not be construed to enable the commissioners aforesaid. or their successors, to lay out or expend any greater sum of money arising from the rents of the public property aforesaid, to the objects aforesaid, than one thousand dollars.

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ed Jan 4, 1807. An Act to condemn a Piece of Ground in Kent County for the purposes therein mentioned. Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 261.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Kent county, that they are subject to considerable inconveniencies in consequence of the want of a piece of ground for the purpose of erecting a ferry-house at Eastern Neck Island Ferry; therefore.

Jury may be sum-moned to condemn a quantity of land for a ferry

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sheriff of Kent county shall be and he is hereby authorised and required, to summon and return a jury of good and lawful men of his county, not less than twelve, inhabitants within said county, and not interested in or related to the owner of such land, to be and appear before the said sheriff, on the premises, upon a certain day to be by him limited and appointed in said summons, which jury, upon their oath, to be by the said sheriff to the said jurges administered, shall proceed to condemn a quantity of land, not exceeding half an acre, most convenient and proper for the erection of a ferry-house at said ferry, and shall also inquire who is or are the owner or owners of the said land, what is the value thereof, and what damages such owner or owners will sustain; and the said sheriff shall, immediately after such valuation by the jury, cause the said land to be surveyed and laid out by the surveyor of said county. with good and sufficient boundaries, and to return a certificate thereof, to be recorded among the county records; and the sum of money the said jurors shall adjudge to the owner or owners of such land, shall be assessed by the justices of the levy court of the said county at the time of their making their next county assessment, which shall be collected by the sheriff or collector of said county, in the same manner as the county assessment, and the sheriff or collector shall pay, or tender the same, to the owner or owners of