

CHAP. 62.

Persons scrupulous of taking an oath, may serve as jurors except in capital cases.

owing to their solemn affirmation not being admitted as a qualification to serve as jurors; therefore,

2. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the people called Quakers, those called Nicolites or New Quakers, those called Menonists, Tunkers, and others, holding it unlawful to take an oath on any occasion, shall be allowed to make their solemn affirmation as a qualification as jurors, except in criminal cases that are capital, and upon petitions for freedom (a), in the manner that they have been heretofore allowed to affirm, which affirmation shall be of the same avail as an oath to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

(a) The words in italic are omitted in the supplement, 1815, ch. 182.

Court to be satisfied that such persons are conscientiously scrupulous

3. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That before any of the persons aforesaid shall be admitted as a juror in any court of justice in this state, the court shall be satisfied, by such testimony that they may require, that such person is one of those who profess to be conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath.

CHAP LXIII.

Passed Jan 6, 1810

An Act to authorise the drawing of a Lottery or Lotteries in Middle-Town, in Frederick County. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 204.

Persons authorised to raise money by lottery.

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Joseph Swarcengen, Henry Stembel, Adam Lawrance, Christopher Syfert, Thomas Powel, Jacob Alexander, junior, Lewis Creager and Jonathan Levy, or such of them as shall enter into bond as herein after required, be and they are hereby authorised to raise by lottery or lotteries, at any place within this state, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, and sell and dispose of the tickets at any place within the same, free from any tax.

Before they make sale of any ticket to give bond.

2. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That before any of the persons above named shall proceed to make sale of any ticket or tickets, they shall give bond in double the sum to be raised by said lottery or lotteries, conditioned that they will well and truly apply so much of the money arising therefrom, within six months after the drawing thereof, as shall satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expenses, within two years thereafter apply the residue for the purpose of purchasing a lot of ground in Middle-town, and erecting thereon a market-house and seminary of learning.

Bond to be lodged with clerk of county.

3. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That the bond so as aforesaid to be entered into, be lodged with the clerk of Frederick county court, and upon the same, or any office copy thereof, suit or suits may be brought for any breach or noncompliance with the conditions thereof.

CHAP. LXIV.

Passed Jan 6, 1810

An Act to incorporate a Company for making an artificial Road from French-Town, on Elk River, in Cecil County, in the State of Maryland, to the Delaware line, in a direction towards the Town of New-Castle. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 205.

Revised, December 1813, ch. 82, and 1815, ch. 9.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the general assembly of the state of Delaware, by an act passed the twenty-fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nine, entitled, An act to in-