Thompſon, ſhall be entitled to have credit on the bond to be given in virtue of this act, for all allowances made to them for paupers or inſolvents.

If bond is given, proceſs to proceed, &c.

XI. **And be it enacted,** That if the ſaid Robert Peter, John Murdock, William Deakins, junior, Bernard Oneale, Edward Burgeſs, Walter Smith and Richard Thompſon, ſhall give bond as aforeſaid, the proceſs iſſued againſt the property of the ſaid John Hayman Nichols as aforeſaid, ſhall and may proceed, and the execution thereof be completed, and the property taken ſold for their uſe and benefit.

On failure in payment, bonds to be put in ſuit, &c.

XII. **And be it enacted,** That in caſe of failure of payment at the days herein before limited, reſpecting the bonds ſo given by the ſaid Robert Peter, John Murdock, William Deakins, junior, Bernard Oneale, Edward Burgeſs, Walter Smith and Richard Thompſon, or the ſurvivors of them, ſhall be liable to be put in ſuit in the ſame manner as public bonds given by collectors in other caſes, and the ſame ſpeedy mode of recovery ſhall be had and uſed as may by law be uſed in the caſe of other collectors of the public aſſeſſment; and the ſaid Robert Peter, John Murdock, William Deakins, junior, Bernard Oneale, Edward Burgeſs, Walter Smith and Richard Thompſon, or the ſurvivors of them, ſhall, on failure of payment, be liable to pay intereſt at the ſame rate as the ſaid John Hayman Nichols was heretofore liable to pay on his collector's bond, the ſaid additional intereſt to commence from the time of payment of ſaid bonds reſpectively, and not before.

C H A P. XVI.

Paſſed December 17.

An ACT for the relief of the poor in Montgomery and Harford counties.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the neceſſity, number, and continual increaſe, of the poor within the ſaid counties, is very great and burthenſome, which might be greatly leſſened by a due regulation and employment of them; therefore,

Alms and work-houſes to be built, &c.

II. **Be it enacted,** *by the General Aſſembly of Maryland,* That there ſhall be alms and work-houſes erected and built in Montgomery and Harford counties, at a convenient place therein, at the general charge and expence of the ſaid counties reſpectively, and that the juſtices of the ſaid counties reſpectively for the time being ſhall, and they are hereby authoriſed and empowered to aſſeſs and levy, in equal proportion, on the property within their reſpective counties liable to aſſeſſment, at their next March courts, the ſum of three hundred pounds current money, and the like ſum at the time of laying their county rate in each of the years ſeventeen hundred and eighty-nine, and ſeventeen hundred and ninety, together with the collector's commiſſion of five *per cent.* thereon for collecting the ſame; which ſaid rate or aſſeſſment ſo as aforeſaid to be laid and levied, ſhall be collected by the collector of ſaid counties reſpectively, in the ſame manner, and at the ſame time, as the county rate is collected; and the ſaid money when ſo as aforeſaid collected, ſhall be paid by the collector to ſuch truſtees for the poor, or the major part of them, as are by this act appointed, who are hereby authoriſed and required to receive and apply the ſame to the uſes and purpoſes herein after directed.

Truſtees appointed, &c.

III. **And be it enacted,** That for the time being the ſeveral perſons hereafter named be and are hereby appointed truſtees of the poor within the ſaid counties reſpectively, and are empowered with full and ſufficient authority to diſcharge the ſeveral offices, duties and truſts, repoſed in and required of them by this act; that is to ſay, Meſſieurs Richard Wootton, William Oneale, Benjamin Mackel, Charles Perry, Charles Beatty, Henry Brookes and Jeremiah Crabb, for Montgomery county, and Meſſieurs Joſeph Stiles, Daniel Tredway, James Walker, William Smithſon, Alexander Rigden, Jeſſe Jarrard and Jacob Norris, for Harford county; the which perſons, or the major part of them, in caſe of the death or abſence of any, are hereby required, with all convenient ſpeed, to meet at ſuch

place