

aforeſaid, ſhall reſuſe or neglect to comply with the directions of this act, ſuch deputy ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of fifteen pounds current money for every reſuſal or neglect. C H A P. LI.

XIV. And be it enacted, That if the clerk of any county, in whoſe office the acts of the general aſſembly, and the votes and proceedings, ſhall be deposited in virtue of this act, ſhall deliver the ſame, or any of them, to any perſon or perſons whatſoever, other than to him or them to whom they ſhall be directed, or to their orders in writing, ſuch clerk ſhall forfeit and pay the ſum of five pounds current money for every ſuch delivery. Clerks to deliver the laws as directed, &c.

XV. And be it enacted, That the governor and council for the time being be requeſted to ſuperintend the faithful execution of this act. Governor, &c. to ſuperintend, &c.

XVI. This act to continue and be in force for three years, and to the end of the next ſeſſion of aſſembly which ſhall happen thereafter. Continuance.

C H A P. LII.

An ACT to ſettle and pay the civil liſt, and other expences of civil government. Paſſed December 22.

**W**HEREAS thoſe who dedicate their time, abilities and labour, to the public, ought to receive a reaſonable and adequate compenſation for their ſervices, Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Aſſembly of Maryland, That the ſeveral officers of civil government, for the time being, ſhall be entitled to receive at the rate of the following ſalaries, in current money, for the enſuing year, to wit: Each member of the council two hundred pounds; the chancellor, as judge of the land-office, one hundred pounds; the treaſurer of the weſtern ſhore ſix hundred pounds; the treaſurer of the eaſtern ſhore one hundred and fifty pounds; the auditor two hundred pounds; the clerk of the council two hundred and fifty pounds; the clerk of the ſenate thirty pounds; the clerk of the houſe of delegates ſeventy-five pounds; the printer to the ſtate four hundred and fifty pounds; the meſſenger to the council fifty pounds, current money. Salaries allowed, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That all monies which ſhall remain in the treaſury after diſcharging the journal of accounts, and all monies heretofore appropriated to the uſe of congreſs, which ſhall hereafter be received, and all unappropriated money which may come into the treaſury, be firſt applied to the payment of the civil liſt for the enſuing year. Monies to be firſt applied to civil liſt.

C H A P. LIII.

A Supplement to the act relating to replevins. Paſſed December 22.

**W**HEREAS it has been found by experience, that to deprive the citizens of this ſtate of the power of ſuing writs of replevin in all caſes where their property has been taken for taxes by collectors of arrearages, is, in many inſtances, productive of injuſtice and oppreſſion, Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Aſſembly of Maryland, That in all caſes where perſonal property has been taken in execution for public taxes, by collectors of arrearages, and not ſold, and where perſonal property ſhall hereafter be taken in execution for ſuch taxes by collectors of arrearages, it ſhall and may be lawful for the perſon whoſe property has been or ſhall be ſo taken, to apply to any juſtice of the peace for the county in which he reſides, for a warrant to the clerk of the county, authoriſing him to iſſue replevin for the goods ſo taken; and if the party applying ſhall, by his own oath or affirmation, which ſhall be reduced to writing, and ſigned by the magiſtrate, and ſuch other evidence as the ſaid juſtice may require, ſatiſfy him that it is neceſſary for the purpoſes of juſtice that a replevin ſhould iſſue, the ſaid juſtice may and he is hereby authorized to Replevins may iſſue in certain caſes, &c.