

II. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the trustees as aforefaid, or any three of them, to bind out any orphans under their care in faid poor-houfe, to any difcreet perfon applying for faid orphan or orphans, always having a regard to give a preference to tradefmen and mechanics, by obliging faid applicants for faid orphan or orphans to fign a good and fufficient indenture to learn faid apprentice the occupation that he follows, and to find him in good fufficient cloathing, meat, drink, wafhing and lodging, and to give fuch education as mafters are obliged to give to apprentices bound by the feveral county courts of this ftate; and faid indenture, when fo taken, fhall be lodged with the clerk of the county where fuch indenture is taken, by any one of the trustees of the poor of faid county, within thirty days after the execution thereof, under the penalty of three pounds for every neglect, to be recovered by prefentment in the county court of the county where any fuch orphan fhall be bound, and applied to the ufe and benefit of the poor of faid county; and the clerk of faid county fhall and he is hereby obliged to receive and record the faid indenture as other indentures heretofore taken for orphans bound by the court of faid county, and the faid clerk fhall be allowed the fum of three fhillings current money for each and every indenture fo received and recorded, to be affeffed in the levy of faid county.

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And bind out orphans, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That if any the trustees of the poor of the counties aforefaid fhall neglect to attend on any the days appointed by the trustees for the meeting of faid trustees, and tranfafting of bufinefs, it fhall and may be lawful for the faid trustees, or any three of them, when met as aforefaid, to proceed to fine fuch perfon or perfons fo neglecting to attend, in any fum not exceeding ten fhillings for every fuch neglect, to be applied as aforefaid.

Fine for non-attendance.

C H A P. XXII.

An ACT to empower the juftices of the peace of Charles county to affeff and levy a fum of money on faid county to repair their court-houfe and build a record-office.

Passed December 27.

**W**HEREAS it is represented to this general affembly, by the grand jury and court of Charles county, that the court-houfe of faid county is very inconvenient, and much out of repair, and that the rooms appropriated for the records of the faid county court, and the orphans court, are too fmall for the purpofe;

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II. Be it enacted, by the General Affembly of Maryland, That it fhall and may be lawful for the juftices of the peace of Charles county for the time being, and they are hereby authorifed, empowered and required, at their next levy laying court, to levy on the affeffable property in faid county, the fum of five hundred pounds current money, together with a commiffion of five *per cent.* for collection; which fum fo affeffed, fhall be collected by the fherriff, or other perfon appointed to collect the county levy in faid county, as other county levies are collected; and the faid fherriff, or collector, as the cafe may be, is hereby required and directed to pay the fame to the juftices of Charles county court for the time being, who are hereby authorifed and required to apply the fame to the repairing the faid court-houfe, and making the fame more convenient, and any furplus that may remain, after completing the fame, fhall be applied in building a new record-office or offices, or in repairing and enlarging the prefent rooms made ufe of for that purpofe, as may be thought beft by the juftices of the faid county court.

Juftices to levy money, &c.

C H A P. XXIII.

An ACT to authorife John Wilfon, fon of George, of Kent county, to erect a mill-dam, and to appoint commiffioners to lay out a road at the places therein mentioned.

Passed December 27.

**W**HEREAS the faid John Wilfon, by his petition to this general affembly, hath fet forth, that he is the owner and poffeffor of a valuable mill in Kent county, which is of great utility and convenience

Preamble.