

Commission
appointed to
build new
court house
for Somerset
County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Henry Page, Hampden P. Dashiell, H. Fillmore Lankford, Joshua W. Miles, Oliver T. Beauchamp, Thomas H. Bock and Thomas Dixon, of Somerset County, be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to employ a competent architect at a reasonable compensation and to contract for and superintend the building of a court house, jury-room and library, and all the necessary offices for the accommodation of the Circuit Court and Orphans' Court for Somerset County, the County Commissioners and other county boards and officers, upon the public ground in the town of Princess Anne, in Somerset County, and the furnishing of said court house and offices, when so constructed, with necessary fire-proof vaults and cases for the reception of the public records, and their preservation from loss by fire, and with all necessary furniture for the accommodation of the the Circuit Court and Orphans' Court for Somerset County, the County Commissioners, the Board of School Commissioners for said county, County Treasurer, the State's Attorney, the Sheriff and the members of the bar, and with such other things as their convenience may require; which court house and offices shall be built by contract after public notice of at least three weeks in such newspapers as said Commissioners shall select; of the letting of the contract, the County Commissioners reserving the right to reject bid or bids which for any reason shall not be satisfactory to them, and the bidder to whom the contract may be awarded shall execute a bond to the said County Commissioners with security or sureties, and with penalty approved by the Commissioners appointed by this Act conditioned for the faithful performance of his contract in accordance with the specification furnished by said Commissioners; provided, that the said court house and offices when built shall not cost exceeding thirty thousand dollars; and, provided, further, that when so built the said court house and offices shall be under the control and superintendence of the County Commissioners for Somerset County.

Cost of same
not to exceed
a certain
sum.

Disposition
of
old court
house.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the Commissioners herein above appointed, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to dispose of and sell, at public or private sale, as they may deem best, the old court house, Clerk's office and County Commissioners' office, and the proceeds derived from such sale shall be paid to the County Commissioners of Somerset County, and shall become a part and parcel of the court house fund provided for by this Act, or they may give