CHAPTER 568.

AN ACT ceding to the United States of America the jurisdiction over certain property acquired by it for the use of the Government Hospital for the Insane located in Prince George's County, Maryland.

WHEREAS the United States of America have recently acquired by purchase several tracts of land in Prince George's Preamble. County, Maryland, first by deed dated the thirty-first day of July, eighteen hundred and ninety-one from John C. Heald and Emma B. Heald his wife, and secondly by deed from Samuel Bieber and Johanna Bieber his wife, dated the twenty-first day of November, eighteen hundred and ninetyone, and

WHEREAS the said United States, desires from the State Preamble. of Maryland a cession of the right of jurisdiction over said property which is right and proper to be done; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the jurisdiction and control over the lands Jurisdic-owned by the United States located in Prince George's to United County, Maryland, and acquired as above for the Government Hospital for the Insane be, and the same are hereby vested in the United States of America for its purposes; the metes and bounds, courses and distances of which are particularly described in the deeds recited in the foregoing preamble and which are duly of record in the clerk's office of Prince George's County, Maryland, to which, reference is prayed; provided always, that the cession and jurisdiction aforesaid, are granted upon the express condition, that this commonwealth shall retain a concurrent jurisdiction with the United States, in and over the said lands and ceded territory so far as that all civil and such criminal process as may issue under the authority of this State, against any person or persons charged with crimes committed without said lands and ceded territory, may be executed therein in the same way and manner as though this cession and consent had never been made and granted, except so far as such process may effect the real and personal property of the United States, within the said ceded territory.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the lands over which the jurisdiction is granted by this act, together with Discharged from taxes. all the personal property which is or may be hereafter within the bounds thereof, belonging to the United States, or to any of its officers or agents, shall be exonerated and discharged from all taxes and assessments which may be at