

the largest circulation in the same, for printing and publishing for St. Mary's county, including the annual statement of the expenses and such other printing as is required to be done and paid for by the county, for the period of one year from said day of contract, but this not to apply to or include publication of local laws; provided said contract does not allow or exceed the sum of seven hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That if the County Commissioners of St. Mary's county fail to effect such contract for printing at the sum or a less sum as aforesaid, then they are authorized to adopt any mode of printing or advertising for said county by handbills or otherwise as in their judgment may seem best for the good of said county; provided the entire cost of same shall not exceed the sum of seven hundred dollars.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That in no event shall any printing or advertising for St. Mary's county be given to more than one newspaper in said county at the same time, nor shall the County Commissioners upon any pretext be empowered to levy or pay more than seven hundred dollars for any one year's printing or publishing.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the day of its passage.

Approved April 5, 1878.