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be lawful for any justice of the peace to enter judgment in all cases of debt, of which he may have cognizance, against either plaintiff or defendant, for such sum as to him may appear just and right, with such costs as may have accrued in the prosecution of the case; which said judgment, when so rendered, if in favor of the defendant, shall be of equal effect and avail as if the same were rendered in favor of the plaintiff; and it shall and may be lawful to enforce the recovery of the same in the same manner as if the same were rendered in favor of the plaintiff.

CHAPTER 159.

Passed Feb
 27, 1826.

A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish state ware houses for the inspection of tobacco in the city of Baltimore.

Building or
 purchase au-
 thorised.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and directed to contract upon the best terms for the building of a fire proof state ware house or houses, for the inspection of tobacco in the city of Baltimore, or to purchase, or to purchase and build the same, whichever they in their opinion may deem most conducive to the public convenience and interest, with all the screws, scales and weights that may be necessary for such inspection.

Purchase of
 lot authorised

2. *And be it enacted,* That if the governor and council shall determine to build a ware house or houses, for the inspection of tobacco, they shall be, and are hereby authorised and directed to purchase a lot of ground in the most convenient part of the city, upon which to erect said buildings, and to have the said lot conveyed to the state.

Fund appro-
 priated for
 payment.

3. *And be it enacted,* That for the purpose of paying for the ware house or houses, authorised to be built or purchased under this act, and the lot of ground necessary to erect said buildings upon, the nett revenue arising from the inspection of tobacco, is hereby set apart, and placed under the direction and control of the governor and council, as a fund for that purpose, and to remain subject to their order and control until all the expenses authorised by this act, shall be finally paid and settled.

Annual
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 thorised.

4. *And be it enacted,* That the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and directed to draw upon the treasurer of the western shore quarter yearly, for such sum of money as may have been paid into the treasury for the inspection of tobacco from the commencement of the present fiscal year.

Executive
 to account an-
 nually.

5. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the governor and council to report to the legislature at their next session, the amount and nature of the contracts entered into in pursuance of this act, and to report annually thereafter to the legislature