

CHAPTER 112.

Passed April 11, 1853. AN ACT to authorise the appointment of a Bailiff to the Orphans' court of Howard county, and to fix the compensation of the same.

Authority to appoint bailiff SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the orphans' court of Howard county be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to appoint a bailiff to said court, and that the per diem of said bailiff shall be two dollars during the sittings of the court.

In force. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from its passage.

CHAPTER 113.

Passed April 7, 1853 AN ACT to confirm the acts of Walter R. Jones and William Hunter, as Justices of the Peace for Baltimore county.

Preamble. WHEREAS, Walter R. Jones and William Hunter were appointed and commissioned justices of the peace for Baltimore county, to reside in the city of Baltimore, who, having taken the oath of office, proceeded to act as justices of the peace for said county, by taking acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments, and in administering oaths and affirmations pursuant to the act entitled, an act authorising the justices of the peace for Baltimore county to take acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments, and administer oaths and affirmations within the limits of the court house and record office in the city of Baltimore, passed at Janury session, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter eighty-six; *And whereas,* Doubts are entertained whether the acts and doings of the said Jones and Hunter, or of either of them, are legal and in strict conformity with former acts of Assembly, and with the present constitution, Therefore,

Acts confirmed. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the acts and proceedings of the aforesaid Walter R. Jones and William Hunter, and of each of them, in taking acknowledgments of deeds