other election districts of said county; the return judges of election for Representatives in Congress for the election precincts in the city of Baltimore, and of the election districts of Baltimore county, embraced in the fifth congressional district, as defined in section eighty-four, shall make a return of the election held in said respective election precincts and districts separate from the returns made for other election districts and election precincts made by said judges.

Return judges

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved May 3, 1882.

## Chapter 309.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county to provide for the preservation of the Public Records and Archives of said county, and to levy such sums of money as may be necessary to accomplish that purpose.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to provide for the preservation of the public records and archives of the said county, in such a manner as they may deem necessary and expedient, and to levy such sums of money as may be necessary to accomplish that purpose.

Preservation of public records.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That if the said county commissioners shall, in the exercise of their judgment, determine either that the present public court offices can be made fire-proof, or that a new fire-proof apartment will be necessary, then and in that case they shall advertise for proposals for the work to be done, and award the contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder, if in their judgment they shall deem the same expedient; provided that the

Fire-proof offices.