violating, or have been used in the violation of this act, shall be condemned by the justice of the peace having jurisdiction, and shall be sold by the sheriff or constables to the highest bidder for cash, after twenty days' notice of time and place and terms of sale, inserted at least three times in some newspaper in Somerset county.

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

Approved April 4th, 1896.

## CHAPTER 477.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money to pay the claim of James F. Melvin for publishing constitutional amendments, submitted in the year 1891.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Comptroller of the State be authorized to draw Appropriation. his warrant on the Treasurer of the State for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) in favor of James F. Melvin, for publishing in the "Ellicott City Democrat" the constitutional amendment submitted to the people at the general election of 1891.

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

Approved April 4, 1896.

## CHAPTER 478.

AN ACT to declare the sanction and consent of the General Assembly of Maryland to sundry gifts, bequests and devises contained in the last wills and testaments of certain persons late of the State of Maryland, deceased, and also to certain gifts, grants, sales, leases and deeds made by various persons in the said State of Maryland to and for the use and benefit of sundry ministerial persons, religious corporations, denominations or sects, and to certain charitable institutions hereinafter named.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sanction and consent of the General Assembly