

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners of Oxford be and they are hereby authorized and required to provide annually out of the annual tax levy an amount sufficient to pay the interest on the outstanding bonds, by them issued under the provisions of this act, as the same shall fall due, and to gradually redeem and retire such bonds until all shall have been redeemed and retired; and for this purpose they shall set apart the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, to be invested in such securities as they may select, to create a sinking fund for the redemption of said bonds upon their maturity.

To levy tax to pay principal and interest.

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

Effective.

Approved April 6th, 1894.

CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT for the protection of the resident and taxpaying merchants of Wicomico County against non-resident merchants, in the business of what is called "fire, slaughter or forced sales."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall not be lawful for any individual, partnership or firm, who are non-residents of Wicomico county, to open a room or place of business for the purpose of selling goods, wares and merchandise at auction, or by any temporary expedients at variance with the regular licensed system of mercantile business in the said county, without first applying to the clerk of the Circuit Court of the said county for a special auction license to sell in the said county, and to pay therefor the sum of three hundred dollars, the said license to be non-transferable.

Fire sales.

License necessary.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted*, That any individual, co-partnership or firm, who are non-residents as aforesaid, who shall attempt to violate the provisions of the preceding section in not having procured a license as required therein, shall be subject to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each and every day he shall

Penalty.