

the Orphans' Court of Kent county, under oath, that the said court may pass an order "*nisi*" for the confirmation thereof, and also a final order of confirmation after publication as may be directed, and shall also ascertain and fix the commissions to said Executors, and that upon the final ratification of the sale or sales, the said Executors shall pay to the Register of Wills of Kent county one-tenth of the commissions thus allowed, and to be paid by the said Register of Wills to the Treasurer of the State of Maryland; that the said Executors shall file with the Register of Wills of Kent county an authenticated copy of the said will and cause the same to be recorded in his office, and that this act shall take effect from its passage.

CHAPTER 282.

Passed Mar. 9, 1864. • AN ACT to add the following section to the fourtieth Article of Public General Laws, requiring jurors to take the oath of allegiance.

Jurors to take oath,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, as follows:* All Grand Jurors shall before being empaneled on the Grand Jury, and all Petit Jurors shall before being empaneled on any Jury, take the following oath of allegiance, to be administered in open court as other oaths are administered: I do swear (or affirm) that I will bear true allegiance to the United States and support the Constitution and laws thereof; any law or ordinance of any State to the contrary notwithstanding; and that I will duly execute all laws of the State of Maryland punishing treason or other offences against the State of Maryland, or against the United States; and I swear this without any mental reservation or qualification, so help me God. The said oath shall be administered to the Jurors at each term of the court, or at the commencement of the term of service of every Juror,