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CHAP. 381. to Emmittsburg, in Frederick county, to John Gelbach, Abraham Wise, of A., and Samuel Mottor, trustees of the parsonage house of the German Reformed church, in Emmittsburg, upon the receipt of the purchase money, and distribute the proceeds thereof to the congregations interested therein, in proportion to their original investments in said house and lot.

In force.

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

CHAPTER 381.

Passed March AN ACT for the relief of John Tubman, and 9, 1860. others.

Preamble.

Whereas, it is represented, that in a case of contested election between Thomas R. Cook and John Tubman, candidates for the office of commissioner of Dorchester county, by interpretation of law, the case was tried before the Circuit judge, not sitting as a court, thereby precluding exceptions and appeal, and the decision made disposed not only of the case of the parties contestant, but of the rights of Robert M. Marshall, another candidate, not a party in the case; and it is represented that the Governor having issued commissions to five commissioners of said county, returned as elected by the judges of election, among them, the said John Tubman, who is sworn in and acting as commissioner, and his commission still unrescinded; has since upon the certificate of the aforesaid decision, issued another commission to Thomas R. Cook, who has also qualified thereunder, making six commissioners for said county, instead of the five allowed by law, for remedy whereof,

Directed to rehear case.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted, That the judge of the eighth judicial circuit, be and he is hereby authorised and directed to open and rehear the said case of contested election, between Thomas R. Cook and John Tubman, before the Circuit court for Dorchester county, allowing the parties the same right of exceptions and appeal as in other civil cases.