SEC. 2. And be it enacted. That nothing in this act CHAP. 113. contained shall be construed to give the several sher- Deceased periffs and collectors above named, any lien or preference sons estate claim upon the estate of deceased persons, in prejudice of other creditors, but that the said sheriffs and collectors in such cases shall only be entitled to a proportion of assetts, if the assetts are insufficient to pay all the creditors of the deceased.

CHAPTER 113.

An act to allow William Orrell, former Sheriff of Car- Passed Mer. 1, oline county, further time to complete his collections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, Authority to That William Orrell, former sheriff of Caroline county, and his deputies, or any agent by him appointed, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to collect and receive, all and every balance or amount of officers, fees, chancery staxes, and fines and forfeitures, and ail other sums that may be due and owing to the said Orrell as Sheriff as aforesaid, or to his deputies, in the same manner, and to the same effect as if the term of office of the said Orrell as sheriff aforesaid, had not expired; provided, that if any person against whom Payments in there is a claim by said Orrell as sheriff as aforesaid. or either of his deputies, shall make affidavit before a justice of the peace of said county, that the same has been paid at any previous time, to any person authorised to receive the same, it shall prevent the said Orrell and his deputies, from collecting said claim, in the manner prescribed by law for collecting such claims: and provided, also, that nothing in this act contained Deceased esshall be construed to affect the estate of a deceased person, except to authorise the said Orrell or his deputies to recover any claim on balance due by a deceased person, in the same manner that claims against deceased persons are now recovered by law; and provided also, Limitation that this act shall only continue in force to the second Monday in March, eighteen hundred and thirty nine.