1844. THOMAS G. PRATT, ESQUIRE, GOVERNOR.

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the said commissioners, shall be and are hereby authorised and empowered in the discharge of their official duties, to administer oaths or take affirmations in relation to any business which is within their jurisdiction, and all such oaths or affirmations hereafter made or taken as aforesaid, are hereby declared to be legal and binding on persons making or taking the same.

CHAPTER 107.

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Passed Feb. An act for the relief of the next of kin of Andrew Cleary, 21, 1845.

Treasurer authorised to pay bly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of the Western \$1800, &c.

Shore be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay the sum of eighteen hundred dollars, into the hands of George Law, of the city of Baltimore, for the purpose of distribution among the next of kin of Andrew Cleary, late of the said city, deceased, the said sum having been paid into the Treasury, upon obtaining a patent on an escheat warrant granted out of the land office, on real estate of the said Cleary, who died without heirs competent to inherit real estate in this county.

Proviso.

Fail, &c.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That the Patentee now holding the said real estate, shall dispose of the same for the benefit of the said next of kin; and provided also, before paying over the aforesaid sum of eighteen hundred dollars, the said Law shall receive from the next of kin respectively, a release, executed and acknowledged according to law; which shall be recorded in the office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore county.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That should the said Law fail to receive releases, and to have the same recorded as above provided, before the first day of January next, the said George Law be, and he is hereby required to repay the said sum of eighteen hundred dollars into the Treasury of the State.

CHAPTER 108.

Passed Feb. An act to allow Thomas Lusby, former Sheriff and Collector of Kent County, further time to complete his Collections.

Time extend- That all the provisions of the act, "entitled an act to al-