CHAP. 141 some day between the passage of this act and the first day of June next, and after giving at least three weeks public notice be, and they are hereby authorised and directed, to offer at public sale, at the court house in Calvert county, the contract for building a good and substantial fire proof clerks office, of brick, at least twenty feet square, and either attached to or separate from the court house, with cases, desks and other necessary fixtures, and that the said contract shall be given to the lowest bidder; provided, he gives bond to the levy court aforesaid, with good and sufficient security, to erect the said building in a workmanlike manner, and to complete the same in the time specified by the said court.

Proviso.

Court to levy.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the levy court of Calvert county be, and they are hereby authorised and required, at the time of next laying the levy for the county aforesaid, to levy upon the assessable property of Calvert county, the sum bid for the contract aforesaid.

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Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the sum of money so levied, by the levy court, shall be collected by the county collector, and paid over to the levy court, and by the said court paid over to the bidder or contractor, in two equal sums of money, the one-half as the building shall progress, and the other half when said building shall have been finished as contracted.

## CHAPTER 141.

Passed Feb. An act to regulate the Height of Fences in Allegany 17, 1847. County and for other purposes.

Not to impound, &c.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons, within the limits of Allegany county, to impound any horned or black cattle, sheep or hogs, unless the same shall be found trespassing within any field or yard or garden, which shall be enclosed with a good and substantial fence at least four-and-one-half feet high.

Liable for damages.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That if any person or persons within the limits of Allegany county, shall dog, beat, bruise, or in any manner injure any horned or black cattle, sheep or hogs, the owner or tenant of the property on which said horned or black cattle, sheep or hogs, shall be so injured, shall be liable in an action of damages for That the levy court of Calver country on

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