

stands assessed to Thomas J. Griffith, he being the master of the slave.

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

In force

CHAPTER 125.

**AN ACT** to provide for the sale of the lands reserved for the use and occupation of the Choptank Indians in Dorchester County.

Passed Mar. 8, 1856.

**WHEREAS**, it has been represented to this General Assembly that the lands which were reserved and laid off by the commissioners appointed under the provisions of the act of Assembly, passed at November session seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, chapter eighty-two, for the use, benefit and occupation of the remnant of the tribe of the Choptank Indians, has long since been deserted by them, and the race has become extinct, and by the provisions of said act, the said Indians were to have the use and benefit of said lands, so long as they continued to occupy the same, and that said lands now lie in an unimproved and dilapidated condition, and the interest of the neighbourhood requires the sale thereof; Therefore,

Preamble.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Thomas E. Dail, James A. Waddle and John L. Willis, of Dorchester county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to make sale of the State's interest in all the lands reserved and set apart for the use of the remnant of the tribe of Choptank Indians, or their descendants, by the commissioners, Henry Waggaman, James Steele, Moses Lecompte and William Marbury appointed by and under the provisions of the act of Assembly passed at November session seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, chapter eighty-two.

Commissioners appointed.

**SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted*, That said commissioners before they proceed to act as such, shall give bond to the State of Maryland, in the penalty of

Commissioners shall give bond.