

rity of them, shall deem proper, which rules and by-laws shall be binding on the said school, and on all persons concerned in the same, provided such rules and by-laws shall not be inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state, and of the United States. CHAP. 172.

CHAP. CLXXIII.

An Act to relieve the Lotteries authorised to be drawn for the benefit of the Port-Tobacco Church from the Taxes imposed thereon. Passed Feb 14 1820

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the lotteries authorised to be drawn for the benefit of the Port-Tobacco church, be and they are hereby exempted from the payment of the taxes authorised by the laws of this state, to be claimed on the prizes to be drawn in this state. Lottery exempt from tax

2. *And be it enacted,* That the said lotteries shall be liable to pay one per cent. on the prizes to be drawn, to be applied to the payment of the salaries which may become due to the commissioners of lotteries, and their clerk, during the year in which the said lotteries may be drawn. To pay one per cent

CHAP. CLXXIV.

An Act empowering the Judges of Elections to administer Oaths appertaining to Elections. Passed Feb 14, 1820

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for the several judges of elections within this state, to administer an oath, or an affirmation, in any inquiry which they may deem necessary to be made touching the right of any person offering to vote, and if any person or persons shall swear or affirm falsely and corruptly, in relation thereto, such person or persons shall, upon conviction thereof, suffer the pains and penalties provided for those convicted of perjury. Judges of election may administer oaths in certain cases

2. *And be it enacted,* That the governor be authorised and requested, to direct a copy of this law to be four times inserted in two newspapers in the city of Annapolis, two in city of Baltimore, two in Frederick-town, two in Hagers-town, one in the town of Cumberland, and two in Easton, between the twentieth of August and the first of October next. Publication of this act directed

CHAP. CLXXV.

A Further Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the preservation of the Breed of Fish. Passed Feb 14 1820

1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the levy court of Harford county and Cecil county, be and they are hereby authorised and required, each to appoint one constable in the hundreds in each county, adjoining to the Bald Friar Ferry, on the Susquehanna river, whose duty it shall be to examine every fish pot erected in the river, at least once a week in the season, the young shad usually descend the river, and in case they shall find any pot or pots erected in the river, not constructed according to the provisions of the act to which this is a further supplement, or the supplement itself, or in case the bottom of any pot shall be covered with a basket, or any other device whatsoever, so as to close the opening that is directed by the supplement aforesaid to be left, whereby the young shad may be destroyed, they shall give information thereof to any justice of the peace in the county of Harford or Cecil, wherein the owner of such pot shall reside or be found, who shall Constables to be appointed to examine every fish pot erected in Susquehanna, &c