

XXXV. This act to continue for five years, and until the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter. C H A P. LXXII. Duration.

Continued by 1790, ch. 60, (with its several supplementary acts,) to 30th October, 1797, and to the end of the next session after. Continued by 1797, ch. 51, for seven years, and to the end of the next session after, where they are not contrary to any subsequent act. The act of 1797, ch. 51, also continues the act for the amendment of the law, November, 1773, ch. 7, for the same time, and in the same manner; but that act is made permanent by 1798, ch. 71.

C H A P. LXXIII.

An ACT for building a new prison in the city of Annapolis. Lib. Passed 11th of March, 1786. TBH. No. B. fol. 21.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that there is no prison in Anne-Arundel county for the reception of debtors or felons, which is very injurious to the peace and security of the said county; Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Messieurs Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, John Hall, Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, James Brice and William Hall, the third, or the major part of them, shall be commissioners, and are hereby authorized to purchase, for the use of Anne-Arundel county, a piece of ground in the city of Annapolis, whereon to build a new prison; and the said commissioners are hereby empowered to contract for materials, and to agree with workmen, to build and finish the said prison, which, when completed, shall, by the said commissioners, be put into the custody and possession of the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county for the time being, and so shall remain and continue in the custody and possession of such sheriff, and his successors, as a public prison for Anne-Arundel county. Commissioners appointed, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices of Anne-Arundel county for the time being be and they are hereby authorized and directed, at their August courts in the years seventeen hundred and eighty-six, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, and seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, to impose on the assessable property of the said county the sum of fifteen hundred pounds current money, to be assessed in three equal portions, together with an allowance to the collector of four per cent. for collection, which sum so assessed shall be collected by the collector of Anne-Arundel county aforesaid as other county taxes are collected, and when so collected shall, by the said sheriff, be paid to the commissioners aforesaid, or the major part of them, to be by them applied in purchasing the ground and erecting the said prison. Justices to levy money, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices of Anne-Arundel county shall pay unto the commissioners aforesaid, or the major part of them, a certificate by them obtained for the damage done the old prison by the continental soldiers, amounting to the sum of eleven hundred and fifty-three pounds sixteen shillings and five-pence current money, to be by the said commissioners applied in erecting the said prison. And pay a certificate obtained, &c.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the judges of the general court and the chancellor shall have a right to commit to the said prison, and any person by them committed shall be received into the said prison under the care of such officer as shall be by them respectively appointed. Judges, &c. may commit to prison, &c.

VI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case any of the said commissioners shall die, remove, or be incapable to act, the residue, or the major part of them, shall fill up the vacancy. How vacancies are to be filled.

C H A P. LXXIV.

An ACT to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 23.

C H A P. LXXV.

An ACT for the erecting light-houses upon Chesapeake bay and Patowmack river. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 24.

C H A P. LXXVI.

An ACT to alter and amend the laws respecting commerce and imposing duties. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 28.