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and every benefit and advantage arifing from the faid act to persons not indebted beyond the sum of CHAP. XVII. two hundred pounds sterling.

H A P. XVIII.

Palled 22d of Dec. 1788. • 1785, ch. 14. A Supplement to an act, \* entitled, An act to grant to Gabriel Peterson Van-Horn an exclusive right to keep stage carriages on the public road from the river Susquehanna to the river Patowmack. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 36. See the note under the original act.

C H A P.

An ACT for the benefit of Thomas Ruston. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 38. A Private Act.

C H A P. XX.

A Supplement to the act, (a) entitled, An act appointing wardens for the port of Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 39.

(a) April, 1783, ch. 24.

Preamble.

TATHEREAS it is represented by a number of the merchants of Baltimore-town, that many useful regulations have taken place in consequence of the powers heretofore granted to the wardens of the port of Baltimore, but that difficulties arise in carrying them into full effect for want. of the faid powers being enlarged, especially with regard to mooring and stationing vellels arriving in the faid harbour;

Wardens to make rules, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the wardens of the port of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to make such rules, regulations and ordinances, from timeto time, respecting the mooring and safe stationing all vessels arriving in the port of Baltimore, as they or a majority of them shall think necessary.

And levy twopence per tun,

III. AND, to enable them to carry the faid rules; regulations and ordinances, in full effect, BE IT ENACTED, That the wardens of the faid port of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to. affels, levy and collect, on every veffel arriving at the faid port of Baltimore, except pilot boats, and vessels not coming from sea, belonging to citizens of this state, a sum of money not exceeding two-pence (b) current money per tun, to be appropriated and applied by the faid board of wardens. to carry into effect the rules, regulations and ordinances, that shall and may be adopted in confequence of the powers yested in them in virtue of this present act; provided always, that no rules, regulations and ordinances, directed to be made by this act, be repugnant to the laws of this government, and provided faid rules, regulations and ordinances, be published from time to time in the Baltimore news-papers.

(b) The power of imposing this duty is repealed by 1791, ch. 60, which imposes a duty not exceeding two cents per tune. See the act of 1796, ch. 68, by which the powers given by this and other acts are transferred to the corporation of the city

C. H. A. P. XXI.

An ACT for the relief of William Paddison, and Sarah his wife. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 40. A Private Act.

> C H A P. XXII.

An ACT for the benefit of Mary Cox, of Baltimore-town. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 41.

C H A P. XXIII.

An ACT to lay a further tax on the people of Harford county to complete the public buildings of said county, and for other purposes. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 41.

Preamble.

HEREAS the funds provided for erecting the public buildings of Harford county have proved infufficient for the purpose;

Jullices to levy money, &c.,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Affembly of Maryland, That the justices of said county, be and they are hereby empowered, at their next term after the passage of this act, to assess on the assessable property in faid county the fum of two shillings and fix-pence on every hundred pounds worth of property, together with the sheriss's commission for collection; which said sum, so to be assessed, shall