

C H A P. XXII.

Passed 10th of
Dec. 1790.

An ACT empowering the wardens of the port of Baltimore to levy and collect the duty therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 264.

This act was not to operate or take effect until the same should be ratified and confirmed by an act of the congress of the United States; this was not done; but an act passed, 1791, ch. 60, in the same words as this act, which was ratified by congress. See the note under that act.

C H A P. XXIII.

Passed 21st of
Dec. 1790.
* Chapter 14.

A Supplement to an act, * entitled, An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of Easton, in Talbot county, and to establish and regulate a market at the said town. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 265.

Commissioners
may levy taxes,
Ac.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of the said town shall have power and authority to assess and levy, upon every person or persons keeping, for common use, a billiard table within the limits of the said town, or within two miles thereof, an annual tax of six pounds current money for every billiard table so kept and used; and likewise to assess and levy an annual tax of three shillings and nine-pence current money on every dog, and the sum of seven shillings and six-pence current money on every bitch, belonging to any of the inhabitants of the said town; and the said commissioners shall direct the said respective taxes to be collected by the bailiff of the said town from every person keeping any such billiard table as aforesaid, and from the owner of such dog or bitch, and to enforce the collection thereof in like manner as is herein before directed for the collection of assessments on the property of the inhabitants of the said town; and the said commissioners shall have power to make such regulation, from time to time, respecting the keeping of dogs and bitches in the said town, as shall be effectual for discovering the owners thereof, and for the collection of the said tax, and may authorise and direct the killing of any dog or bitch whose owner cannot be ascertained.

C H A P. XXIV.

* 1789, ch. 15.

A Supplement to an act, * entitled, An act for the draining of a marsh and branch known by the name of the Long Marsh, lying in Queen-Anne's and Caroline counties. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 266.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that although considerable advantage has been derived from the original act to which this is a supplement, yet, in some instances, it is defective,

Time of meet-
ing changed.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the place of meeting of the proprietors and directors of the Long Marsh, for the purposes mentioned in the said original act, shall be changed from the Nine Bridges, in Caroline, to the Beaver Dam Causeway, in Queen-Anne's county.

In case of col-
lection, direc-
tors may lease,
Ac.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if, in any case, it shall be necessary for the directors to collect the proportion of money due from any delinquent proprietor by virtue of the powers vested in them by the sixth section of the said original act, it shall be lawful for the said directors to lease or dispose of any upland, either clear or in wood, belonging to such proprietor, and adjoining to the marsh, for the same term, in the same manner, and under the same restrictions, as are provided in the said original act with respect to the marsh; and in case the marsh land, or adjoining upland, of any delinquent proprietor, shall be under lease for one or more years from the said proprietor to any tenant, it shall and may be lawful for the said directors, or any one of them, to raise the proportion of money due from such proprietor, together with the legal costs of distress and sale, by distress and public sale of any goods and chattels of the said tenant which shall be found on the leased premises, of which sale five days notice, including the days of notice and of sale, shall be given to the said tenant, and the said sale shall be for current money; provided always, that the upland, so to be leased or sold, shall not exceed one third part of the upland belonging to any one proprietor; nor shall the same be so laid off as to include the dwelling-houses on any of the said lands; and provided also, that no distress shall be made on any tenant for a greater sum than shall be due from him to his landlord for rent at the time of the distress, and that the said tenant shall be allowed to discount the same against his landlord.

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