

ry act thereto, as require seven justices of the peace in some of the counties of this state, and five justices of the peace in the remaining counties, to be specially named and commissioned by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, as and for the several justices of the several orphans courts in this state, and as require and empower three or more of the said justices to hold such respective courts, and to hear and determine the several matters and causes committed to their jurisdiction, be and the same is hereby repealed, any thing in the said recited acts to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Governor, &c. to appoint persons, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for the governor for the time being, with the advice and consent of the council, and they are hereby required, to appoint and commission three discreet and judicious persons, of wisdom and experience, in each respective county, as and for the justices of the orphans courts in the several counties of this state, any two or all of whom shall hold an orphans court in their respective county, at the same times and places, and in the same manner, as the several orphans courts of this state are now respectively holden; and the said justices, or any two of them, shall have, exercise and enjoy, the same power, authority and jurisdiction, to all intents and purposes, and in all respects, as the same are had, exercised and enjoyed, by the several orphans courts of this state under and by virtue of the said recited acts, or of any law of this state which respects such power, authority and jurisdiction; and each of the said justices shall be entitled to receive the sum of ten shillings (a) current money for every day he shall attend in the execution of his office, and such allowance shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other charges of the county.

(a) The part of this section fixing the allowance to the justices is repealed by 1796, ch. 40, which fixes it at two dollars.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That neither of the said justices shall, after their appointment and qualification, act as an attorney or solicitor in any court of law or equity in this state during the time which they shall act as such.

Justices not to act, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person, to be appointed and commissioned in virtue of this act, shall die, resign, remove out of the county, refuse to act, or be disqualified from acting, it shall be lawful for the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, to appoint and commission another person to supply such vacancy, and the person so commissioned, after qualifying himself in the manner prescribed by the said first recited act, shall have and exercise the same power and authority as any other justice of the orphans court.

How vacancies are to be filled.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the register of wills in their respective counties shall be, and by virtue of this act they are, authorized and empowered to pass any accounts of the estates of deceased persons where the amount of the inventory of such deceased's estate does not exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds; provided nevertheless, that the orphans court, at any time within two terms after the passage or rejection of such accounts, shall have full power and authority to reconsider and alter or reverse the same; and provided nevertheless, that any one of the said justices shall have full power and authority to call and adjourn the said courts.

Registers may pass accounts, &c.

VI. This act to continue and remain in force until the thirtieth of October, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, and until the end of the next session of assembly thereafter.

Duration.

Continued by 1794, ch. 71, to 30th January, 1798. Expired. Revived and continued, (where not altered,) by 1798, ch. 10, to the end of the session, and all acts done under it confirmed; and by 1798, ch. 71, to 30th January, 1805, &c. Such parts of this act as are repugnant to the provisions of the act of 1798, ch. 101, are thereby repealed.

C H A P. LXXVII.

An ACT to appoint an agent for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, and for other purposes. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 519.

Passed 30th of Dec. 1791.

A Supplement, ch. 90.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Randolph Brandt Latimer be agent of this state, to execute the trust and power reposed in him by virtue of this act, from the first day of January, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-two, until the first day of January, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-three.

An agent appointed, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said agent superintend the collection of all arrearages and balances due from the several collectors of the respective counties within this state appointed since the

Who shall superintend the collection, &c.