

C H A P. XXXIX. so shall remain and continue in the custody and possession of such sheriff, and his successors, as a public gaol for Kent county.

Justices to levy money, &c. III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices of Kent county for the time being be and they are hereby authorised and directed, as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this act, and at their levy courts in the years seventeen hundred and ninety-three and seventeen hundred and ninety-four, to impose on the assessable property of the said county the sum of twelve hundred pounds current money, to be assessed in three equal portions, together with an allowance to the collector of the same commission for collection that he receives for collecting the other county levy; which sum, so assessed, shall be collected by the collector of Kent 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 towards erecting the said gaol.

Old gaol to be sold, &c. IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners above named, or the major part of them, shall be and are hereby authorised and empowered to sell the materials of the old gaol of said county, and retain the money arising from the sale of the same as a further fund for erecting the new one.

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

C H A P. XL.

Passed 22d of Dec. 1792. * 1784, ch. 2.

An ACT to alter and amend the act * establishing a market, at the market-house in Chester-town, Kent county, so far as the same respects the cordage of wood. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 610.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that under the present regulation for the cordage of wood in Chester-town, Kent county, it is found difficult to procure a proper person to act as corder, and the inhabitants of said town experience considerable inconvenience thereby,

Firewood to be corded, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first day of January next all firewood brought to, and offered for sale in, the said town, whether by land or water, shall be set up, corded and measured, by some wood-corder appointed as directed in an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-four, entitled, An act to establish a market at the market-house in Chester-town, Kent county, and for the regulation of the said market; and that each cord of wood shall be eight feet in length, four feet in breadth, four feet in height, and well stowed and close packed; and that the said wood-corder, for his trouble in cording and packing the same, shall have and receive the sum of six-pence current money for each cord, to be paid by the person who offers the wood for sale.

Penalty for neglect, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person shall buy any firewood brought to the said town, and shall neglect or refuse to have the same corded and measured by some wood-corder appointed as aforesaid, such person shall forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings for every cord so bought, and which the said person shall refuse or neglect to have corded as aforesaid, or shall refuse or omit to request one or other of the said corders to cord pursuant to this act; which said forfeiture, when recovered, shall be laid out and expended in the manner prescribed by the act above mentioned.

C H A P. XLI.

* 1785, ch. 72.

A Further supplement to the act, * entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the high court of chancery. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 611.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the acts of assembly of this state giving power to the chancellor to decree in certain cases against persons residing in other of the United States, and against persons residing beyond seas, have omitted to extend the said power to cases where the party or parties against whom relief is or may be wanted have or shall remove out of this state to parts unknown: And whereas it is attended with great difficulty and expence to give such notice as the said acts require to persons resident in some one of the United States, or in parts beyond sea; therefore,

In certain cases chancellor may decree, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases where any person or persons, his or their heirs, devisees or representatives, are bound by any contract or agreement, and are nonresidents of this state, if any bill is filed against such person or persons, his or their heirs,