

C H A P.
XIV.And propose a
scheme, &c.

V. AND, whereas it is further represented by the said vestry, that their parish church is in an unfinished state, and that it is impracticable for them, by ordinary subscription, to obtain a sum adequate to the finishing the same, and pray they may be authorized, by lottery, to raise a small sum for the purpose aforesaid; therefore, BE IT ENACTED, That it shall and may be lawful for the said vestry, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme of a lottery for raising such sum as may be necessary for said purposes, provided the same do not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets therein, provided the said vestry, or a majority of them, shall, before the sale of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of two thousand dollars, conditioned, that they will well and truly apply the monies arising therefrom, within three months after the drawing thereof, to the payment of the prizes drawn by adventurers in the said lottery, and the necessary expences incurred in the management thereof, and the residue to the finishing of their parish church, and in erecting buildings, and augmenting the improvements on the said tract of land called Charles's Gift, which the said vestry, or their successors, are hereby authorized to direct and superintend.

Bond to be
lodged, &c.

VI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said bond shall be lodged in the clerk's office of Calvert county, to be there recorded; and upon such bond, or an office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted against the obligors therein, or any of them, or their or any of their legal representatives, for any breach or non-compliance with the conditions of the same.

C H A P. XV.

Passed 30th of
Dec. 1796.

An ACT for the benefit of Eleanor Shuman, widow of Peter Shuman, and her children. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 425. A Private Act.

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An ACT to allow further time for collecting the balances due to Thomas O'Bryon, late sheriff and collector of Queen-Anne's county, deceased. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 426.

Preamble.
* Chapter 20.

WHEREAS by an act of November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-five, the aforesaid Thomas O'Bryon was authorized and empowered to collect the arrearages of taxes and officers fees due and owing to him, as sheriff and collector aforesaid, within a certain time limited by the same act: And whereas the death of the aforesaid Thomas O'Bryon has prevented said collection, and it appearing reasonable and just that further time should be allowed to the securities of the said Thomas O'Bryon for the collection aforesaid,

M. Hawkins,
&c. to collect,
&c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Matthew Hawkins, James O'Bryon, David Linsey, William Clayton, Edward Wright, John H. Downes, Henry Pratt, Robert Waters and William Diamond, securities of Thomas O'Bryon aforesaid, or a majority of them, or the survivors of them, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to collect, on or before the first day of January, seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, all balances owing as aforesaid to the said deceased sheriff and collector for the years seventeen hundred and ninety-three and seventeen hundred and ninety-four, in manner following, to wit: That the aforesaid securities, or such person or persons deputed by them, or a majority of them, or the survivors of them, in the collection aforesaid, shall, at least thirty days before execution or distress of property for the arrearages aforesaid, deliver to the person charged, or leave at his or her last place of abode, an account, stating the taxes, and the amount of fees due to the officers respectively, or such part thereof as may be claimed as due; and the said securities, or a majority of them, or their agent, shall, if they be thereto required by the person so charged, make oath before a justice of the peace, that the said account was taken fairly and truly from the books or papers of the said Thomas O'Bryon; and if the person or persons owing such taxes and officers fees shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, it shall and may be lawful for the said securities, or a majority of them, or the survivors of them, to collect the same by execution or distress of property of the person or persons so refusing or neglecting, and to sell and dispose thereof, at public auction, at the expiration of ten days, exclusive of the day of seizure and day of sale, on giving ten days notice, by advertisement at the most public places of the neighbourhood, and at the court-house door of the county, of the day and hour of sale.

Proviso.

III. PROVIDED ALWAYS, AND BE IT ENACTED, That all the books, memorandums and entries, of the said sheriff, and his deputies, in which his accounts as sheriff and collector are stated and kept, shall be delivered by James O'Bryon, junior, his administrator, to the said securities, or a majority of them, on demand, and shall be deposited in the hands of John Caradine, or such person as the