

C H A P. XXIV. VI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case any of the said commissioners shall die, remove, or be incapable to act, the residue, or the major part of them, shall fill up the vacancy or vacancies.

How vacancies are to be filled.

Value to be ascertained, &c. VII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case the said commissioners and the owner or owners of the pieces of ground aforesaid cannot agree on the prices thereof, or the owners, or either of them, shall be under any disability to contract for the sale thereof, any two justices of the peace for Somerset county are hereby authorized to direct the sheriff of Somerset county to summon twelve good and lawful men of his bailiwick, not interested in the said lands nor related to the parties, to appear upon each of the said pieces of ground, who shall be impanelled and sworn as a jury to inquire into the value of the said pieces of ground, or either of them; and the said commissioners shall pay to the owner or owners of said lands the sum or sums assessed by the said jury to be the value of the lands aforesaid, and thereupon the property in the said pieces of ground shall be vested in the said county for ever for the purposes aforesaid.

C H A P. XXV.

Passed 20th of Jan. 1798.

A Supplement to the act for building a new gaol in the town of Easton, in Talbot county, and to provide for the regulation of the said gaol. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 603.

Preamble.

Chapter 67.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that since the passage of the act, entitled, An act for building a new gaol in the town of Easton, in Talbot county, and to provide for the regulation of the said gaol, enacted at November session, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, * Samuel Sharp and Samuel Logan, two of the commissioners appointed by the said act for superintending the building of the said gaol, are deceased, and there is no provision in the said act for supplying the vacancies occasioned by their death; therefore,

Commissioners appointed, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Owen Kennard and David Kerr, of the said county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners in the room respectively of the said Samuel Sharp and Samuel Logan, for the several purposes mentioned in the said original act; and the said commissioners hereby appointed, together with the surviving commissioners appointed by the original act, or a majority of them, shall be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and required, to do, execute and perform, the several acts, powers and trusts, directed by the said original act, in like manner, and to the like effect, as if the commissioners hereby appointed had been named in the said act.

How vacancies are to be filled.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any of the said commissioners shall refuse to act, resign, remove or die, it shall and may be lawful for the remaining commissioners, or a majority of them, so often as a vacancy shall happen, to appoint another commissioner in the place of him who shall so refuse to act, resign, remove or die, and every commissioner so appointed shall have all the powers of a commissioner appointed by this or by the original act until the purposes of the said act shall be accomplished.

Present gaol to be sold, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby empowered to sell the present gaol of Talbot county at public sale, and to apply the money arising therefrom towards building the new gaol, or otherwise, in their discretion, to abate the old gaol, and to apply the materials thereof towards the foundation or other parts of the new building; and after the sale or abatement of the old, and until the completion of the new gaol, it shall and may be lawful for the sheriff of Talbot county to rent or hire one or more suitable apartments in the town of Easton for the legal confinement of persons, and to claim the reasonable expence thereof of the justices of the levy court, who are hereby empowered and required to allow the same, and to levy the amount like other public charges of the county.

C H A P. XXVI.

An ACT to make compensation to certain commissioners. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 604.

Preamble.

WHEREAS by a resolve of the last general assembly Walter Bowie, Levi Gantt, Benjamin Lowndes and Thomas Duckett, of Prince-George's county, William Harwood and Edward Hall, of Edward, of Anne-Arundel county, and Charles Wallace and James Williams, of the city of Annapolis,