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VI. And whereas, the Inhabitants of Chester-Town aforesaid, and others of the County aforesaid, have also set forth in their Petition, That sundry Perfons refiding within the faid Town, and other Persons within the County Town to be a aforesaid, have heretosore at their own private Expence, purchased a Portion of Ground within the faid Town, furficient for the Site of a Church and decent Burial Ground, and that they have at a confiderable Expence erected a Commodious House thereon, for the Public Worship of Almighty GOD, which, with some Addition to be made to the said House, would make it a fufficient Church for the new intended Parish, and to which Persons in the Country might also resort, and which they were willing should be appropriated to the Public, saving to the private Proprietors their Pews in the said Church and Gallery, which they have defigned and appropriated, and have prayed that the said Addition may be so made, and that if the Assembly should think proper to establish another Place of Worship in the intended new Parish, at the Place called I. U. that the Incumbent for the Time being, should be obliged alternately on Sundays, to administer the Public Service in the said Town, and the said other Place; and this present General Assembly thinking the said Prayer reasonable, so far as to make the said Place in Chester-Town a Chapel of Ease in the said Parish; Be it theresoze Enaued, by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Vestry of Chester Parish, and they are hereby required, to contract and agree with a proper Person or said Church. Persons, for the building, finishing and compleating, (all but the Pews) an Addition to the said House of Worship in Chester-Town, sufficiently large, together with the said House already built, to hold the People of the said Town and of the Neighbourhood thereabouts, so as it does not cost more than Fifty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, and that the said Vestry shall contract and agree with a proper Person or Persons, to erect and finish Pews in the said Addition, which, when finished, the said Vestry are hereby authorized and required to fell and dispose of, to such of the People of the Town, resident in, and Owners of Lots therein, and have not Pews already in the old Part of the said Building, and others Freeholders in the said Parish convenient to the faid Church, for such reasonable Price as will in the whole be sufficient to pay for the erecting the said Pews, which said Ground or Land and House thereon, and Addition when so built and finished, shall be and is hereby declared to be constituted and deemed the Land and Chapel of Ease of the said Parish, and Incumbent to the said Chapel for ever hereafter, shall be supported and repaired at the Charge of the faid Parish; and the Incumbent for the Time being of alternately at Chester Parish aforesaid, shall and is hereby required to perform Divine Service on Sundays alternately, at the Parish Church of the said Parish, and the said Chapel of Ease in Chester-Town.

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Sheriff to collest the Affessments, and try.

VII. And be it further Enafted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, for the Time being, shall and is hereby impowered pay the Vef- and required, to collect and receive the faid Assessments, so as aforesaid made by the said Court, in the same Manner, and in the same Time, as he collects other Public and Parish Dues, and that he and his Securities, shall be answerable for the same, and he or his Executors or Administrators shall pay the said Sums so assessed to the Vestry of Chester Parish aforesaid, or to their Order or Orders, at any Time after he has collected, or by Law ought to have collected the same, and the said Vestry or the major Part of them, are hereby authorized and impowered to receive the Sums of Tobacco and Money raised and collected by the Sheriff, under the Assessments as aforesaid, or his Executors or Administrators, for the Uses and Purposes aforesaid, or to draw Orders for the same.

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