

to either, in this state, nor shall any person be licensed by the governor and the council as herein before directed, unless such person shall before he acts as such, and before he shall be licensed as aforesaid, take an oath (or affirmation if a quaker, menonist, or dunker) that "he will not, during the time he shall act as such, or be licensed as aforesaid, be directly or indirectly concerned or engaged in any merchandise, either foreign or domestic, by buying and selling for gain;" which oath or affirmation any justice of the peace may administer or take; and if any person shall act as such after the first day of February next, before taking such oath or affirmation, he shall forfeit two thousand pounds for every offence.

C H A P.  
XVIII, XIX.

&c. before  
they take an  
oath, &c.

XXIX. This act to continue and be in force until the end of the next session of assembly. Continuance.

C H A P X I X.

An ACT to enable the justices of Frederick and Montgomery counties to assess a sum of money sufficient to defray the expences of the commissioners in dividing Frederick county.

**W** H E R E A S the commissioners appointed by a resolution of convention, held at the city of Annapolis the fourteenth day of August, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six, for the purpose of erecting two new counties out of Frederick county, have incurred a considerable expence in the execution of the trust reposed in them, and it being reasonable that compensation should be made for the trouble and expence which the said commissioners have been at: Preamble

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the county courts of Frederick and Montgomery counties have full power and authority, and they and each of them are hereby directed, as soon as conveniently may be, to assess and levy, upon the inhabitants of their several counties, in the same manner county charges are assessed and levied, a sufficient sum of money to compensate and pay the said commissioners for their trouble and expence they have been at, in running the divisional line between Frederick and Montgomery counties. County courts  
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commission-  
ers, &c.

III. And, That the burthen thereof may be equal on each of the said counties,

IV. Be it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid shall be, and they are hereby required to deliver their several and respective accounts to each of the courts aforesaid, and one half of the aggregate amount thereof shall be assessed on the inhabitants of Frederick county, and the other half on the inhabitants of Montgomery county, together with the sheriff's commission of five per cent. for collecting the same; which said sums, when collected and paid, shall be paid to the order of the said commissioners, or the major part of them. Commission-  
ers to deliver  
their accounts  
to each court,  
&c.