

C H A P.
XII. IV.

XI. And, Whereas it hath been apprehended by the commissioners and collectors, in some of the counties of this state, that the collectors are liable for the pound rate or assessment on all tobaccos in the warehouses, before they receive the same of the inspectors:

Collectors not liable to pay assessment on tobacco before they receive the same, &c.

XII. Be it enacted, That the several assessors shall return the amount of their assessments on all such tobaccos to the inspectors as heretofore directed, and also to the commissioners, by way of check, in case of death or other accident happening to the inspector, but the collectors shall not be liable to the payment of such pound rate or assessment, before they receive the same, and if default be made by the collectors in payment twenty days after receipt thereof, they shall be liable to pay twenty per cent. interest, and their bonds may be put in suit, as by the said recited act is in other cases directed.

Commissioners to fix the time for assessors to make their returns, &c.

XIII. And be it enacted, That in those counties where the assessment hath not been made in virtue of the former law, the time for the assessors to make their returns shall be fixed by the commissioners; and all appeals shall be heard and determined in the manner prescribed by the said act, at some convenient time to be appointed by the commissioners on or before the fifteenth day of June next, whereof public notice shall be given by the commissioners, or the major part of them, in each county, by advertisements set up in the most public places of the said counties respectively.

C H A P. IV.

An A C T to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly.

Members neglecting to appear, &c. to pay £. 25, &c.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That if any member of the senate or house of delegates, or any person hereafter elected a member of the senate or house of delegates, shall neglect to appear in the house of which he now is, or shall hereafter be elected, a member, or shall neglect to send a written resignation, on the day appointed for the meeting of the general assembly, such person shall forfeit and pay twenty-five pounds current money for every day during the session he shall neglect to send such resignation or to appear as aforesaid, unless prevented by sickness, necessary absence, or other unavoidable accident, and excused for such cause by the house of delegates, or the senate.

Clerk of the house to send a copy of the order for fine to the sheriff, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That where any fine shall be imposed on any member in virtue of this act, the clerk of the house shall send a copy of the order for such fine to the sheriff of the county where such member shall reside, and the sheriff shall collect and account for the same in the same manner as the public assessment is collected and accounted for.

Continuance.

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