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dorse on the letter or packet the time of his receipt thereof, and shall give a receipt to the person delivering the same.

III. AND, To prevent all excuses and delays in forwarding the laws and other public letters going from the city of Annapolis to the several counties,

How public
letters are to
be conveyed
on the E.
shore, &c.

IV. Be it enacted, That all such public letters and packets shall be taken care of by the several sheriffs, and expeditiously conveyed, according to their respective directions, in manner following, that is to say: The sheriff of Anne-Arundel county shall, and he is hereby enjoined to receive all such public letters and packets as may be delivered him, endorsed as hereafter mentioned, and shall forthwith deliver, or cause to be delivered, all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing on the eastern shore, to the sheriff or deputy sheriff of Queen-Anne's county, and take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county shall, without delay, deliver all such letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons in Queen-Anne's county to such person or persons, and take a receipt for the same, and shall, without delay, deliver all such letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in Talbot, Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester counties, to the sheriff of Talbot county or his deputy, and shall take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Talbot county shall, without delay, deliver all such letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in his county, to such person or persons, and take a receipt for the same, and shall, without delay, deliver all such letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons in Dorchester, Worcester and Somerset counties, to the sheriff of Dorchester county or his deputy, and take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Dorchester county shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in his county, to such person or persons, and take a receipt for the same, and shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in Somerset or Worcester counties, to the sheriff of Somerset county or his deputy, and take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Somerset county shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in his county, to such person or persons, and take a receipt for the same, and shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons in Worcester county, to the sheriff of said county or his deputy, and take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Worcester county shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters or packets to the person or persons to whom directed, and take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county shall also, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons in Kent and Cecil counties, to the sheriff of Kent county or his deputy, and take a receipt for the same; and the sheriff of Kent county shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in his county, to such person or persons, and take a receipt for the same, and shall, without delay, deliver all such public letters and packets as may be directed to any person or persons residing in Cecil county, to the
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