

firmation prescribed by the act to punish certain crimes and misdemeanors, and to prevent the growth of toryism; which oaths or affirmations any one of the said commissioners, or any justice of the peace, may administer.

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LXXII. And be it enacted, That all salaries, penalties, and other sums of money mentioned in this act, and not otherwise expressed, shall be in Spanish dollars at seven shillings and six-pence each, payable therein, or in other silver or gold of the value, or new bills of credit of the emission of this state, or new continental bills of credit emitted in this state, at their passing value at the time of the payment thereof.

Salaries, &c.  
to be in Spanish dollars,  
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LXXIII. And be it enacted, That the holder of any certificate for money borrowed by the public, or for allowances on the journal to public creditors, under the faith of the legislature of this state, that the same, or the interest thereof, should be discounted for taxes, may, if he requests the same, have his tax imposed by this act discounted according to the engagement of the public, rating the money due for principal or interest discountable and discounted, in the same manner as if he had actually paid in the old emissions the sum discounted; and the holder of any certificate for grain, flour, or other provisions, purchased or taken, or for vessels or carriages hired or impressed, or houses rented, under any act of assembly of this state, promising that the value or price should be discounted in payment of public taxes, may produce his certificate to the commissioners of the tax for his county, and the commissioners are to adjudge and endorse on the certificate the value of the freight, hire or rent aforesaid, or the market price in their county of the grain, flour, or other provisions mentioned therein, in Spanish dollars at seven shillings and six-pence, at the time the same was delivered or taken; and the holder of such certificate may have a discount of his tax imposed by this act, not exceeding the sum due thereon, according to the value ascertained by the endorsement, on requiring the same, and lodging the certificate with the collector.

Holders of certificates, &c. may have their tax discounted, &c.

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An ACT to authorise the county courts to impose an assessment to defray their county charges.

**B**E it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the several county courts, or any three or more of them, in court sitting, shall, and they are hereby authorised and required, at their respective June or August courts, to adjust the ordinary and necessary expences of their several counties, including an allowance for the poor of their county, in real money, estimating Spanish milled silver dollars at seven shillings and six-pence each, and for payment thereof (with the same commission for collection as may be allowed by the public) to impose an assessment or rate on all property within their county sufficient to defray such county charge, and the said justices shall apportion such assessment or rate according to the last valuation of property in their county, and the person or persons appointed to collect the public assessment or rate in their county, shall collect the same; and every collector, before he acts as such, shall give bond (payable to the state) with good and sufficient securities, such as the

Justices to adjust the county expences, &c.