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LVII.

Gray, for salary due, and money advanced by him as special bail for the said James Jamieson, to the amount of five hundred and fifty pounds sterling, as per judgment of Charles county court, part of which he paid in bonds of the said James Jamieson, and the balance, amounting to thirty pounds nineteen shillings and six-pence, he was obliged to pay in sterling cash; that there were effects and debts due by the citizens of this state, sufficient to satisfy and discharge the debts due by the said Jamieson, Johnston and company, and James Jamieson, and all engagements made on their account, which debts due to the said Jamieson, Johnston and company, were liable to be lost, for want of a power in some person to settle and collect the same; and prayed that an act might pass to enable him, the said George Gray, to sell the lots and houses in Port-Tobacco, and collect the debts:

G. Gray to
settle debts,
&c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said George Gray shall, and hereby is empowered to settle and adjust all debts due to and from the said company; and that the said George Gray be authorized to sue for and recover, in the name of the said Jamieson, Johnston and company, James Jamieson, or either of them, all debts which are due or owing to the said Jamieson, Johnston and company, and James Jamieson, or either of them, and all debts contracted in this state, which they or either of them could, if subjects of this state, claim from any person or persons, in the same manner as other debts are or shall be directed by law to be recovered.

May sell
houses, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That if there should not be a sufficient sum collected from the debts due to the said company, to satisfy in the first instance his engagements, as factor, to the citizens of this or any of the United States, and to discharge his salary as agent or factor, and in the second instance, all other creditors, in a just and equitable proportion, the said George Gray is hereby empowered to sell the houses and lots in Port-Tobacco town, at public vendue, for the purposes aforesaid, after giving eight weeks notice in the Annapolis and Baltimore news-papers, on three years credit.

To give bond,
&c.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That the said George Gray, before he enters upon the trust reposed in him, give bond, with good and sufficient security, to the governor and council, in the sum of five thousand pounds current money, for the faithful performance of his trust; and that the said George Gray shall regularly and annually settle his account with the auditor-general, on the first day of October, and shall lay a state of his proceedings, and a list of debts, before him, due to the said Jamieson, Johnston and company, and James Jamieson, on oath.

To pass ac-
count with
auditor, &c.

V. *And be it enacted,* That the said George Gray, before entering on his trust as aforesaid, pass his account, on oath, with the auditor-general, and have the sum due him ascertained; and that he pay, after discharging the debts aforesaid, the balance of money or tobacco collected, or any other article by him received, to the treasurer of the western shore.

To be allow-
ed a commis-
sion, &c.

VI. *And be it enacted,* That the said George Gray shall be allowed, on the collection of the debts and the sale of the houses and lots aforesaid, such commission as the general assembly shall hereafter direct.

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