

A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act to raise recruits.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners to preserve confiscated British property, be authorized and directed (after giving four weeks notice of the sale of land or negroes, and two weeks notice of the sale of other property, in the Maryland gazette and Baltimore journal) to sell at auction, for current money, at not less than the last assessment, the following property, lately belonging to British subjects, and therefore confiscated, or to subjects of this state and forfeited for treason, to wit: The lots and houses in Port-Tobacco, late the property of Cunningham and company; the lots and houses in Nottingham and Upper Marlborough, late the property of James Russell; ground-rents in Frederick-town, in Frederick county, lately belonging to Daniel Dulany son of Daniel; the lands lately the property of James Somerville and Philip Key; lots in George-town, in Montgomery county, lately the property of Dunlap and son; the land and other property of Alexander Hamilton, not sold or disposed of by the general assembly; lots and houses in Bladensburg, late the property of George and Andrew Buchanan and company, James Brown and company; and lots and houses in Charles-town, in Cæcil county; and two thirds of the land of Robert Alexander, in Cæcil county, including one hundred acres, next adjoining the town at the head of Elk, and one half of his negroes; the residue of his land (including his late dwelling plantation) and the other half of his negroes, and his other property, to be reserved, subject to the direction of the general assembly.

British property to be sold, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners shall immediately publish, for all persons claiming any right, title, or interest, to the said property, or any part thereof, or having debts against the late owners thereof, to make known the same to the said commissioners before the day of sale; and the said commissioners shall reserve as much of the said property as will fully discharge any debts due, and if sufficient should not be reserved, this state will hereafter satisfy the debts to the amount of the property sold; and the said commissioners may delay the sale of any property, to which any person of this state shall, in their judgment, have a legal or equitable right, title or interest, until the next session of assembly.

Persons to make known claims, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners may sell the land aforesaid (except the aforesaid one hundred acres of Robert Alexander) in entire tracts, or in parts, as they may judge most for the benefit of the state, and on the following terms, to wit: That the purchaser shall, on the day of sale, or within five days thereafter, if so agreed by the commissioners, enter into bond to this state, with good and sufficient security, in double the purchase money, conditioned for the payment of one third thereof in six weeks, and of one other third in twelve weeks, and of the residue in six, eight, or ten months from the sale, as the said commissioners may agree, to the honourable major-general Smallwood; and if any purchaser shall neglect to give bond with security, payable as aforesaid, within the time limited, he shall forfeit to the state five per cent. on the purchase money, and the commissioners

Terms of sale, &c.