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and his or their securities, their executors or administrators, to shew cause why execution ought not to issue against him, them, or any of them, for the duties so unpaid, and thereupon to sue out execution accordingly; and the said naval officers respectively shall be allowed, for collecting, accounting for, and paying, the said duties imposed by this act, into the treasury of this state, the sum of five per centum on the money so collected by them, or any of them; and they are hereby required to account for and pay in, to the treasury aforesaid, every half year, to wit, on the tenth day of April and the tenth day of October in every year, or within ten days afterwards, all money received by them respectively, on public account, pursuant to this act, upon pain of forfeiting one half of their commissions, to be carried to the credit of the public treasury, and of being suspended from their said office of collector until such payment be made.

Continuance  
of duties, &c.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That the duties imposed by this act shall continue for one year, unless the duty of five per cent. shall be granted to congress by the several states, and sooner take place.

C H A P. XXVII.

An A C T to appoint an intendant of the revenue.

Intendant ap-  
pointed, &c.

**B**E it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Daniel of Saint Thomas Jenifer, Esquire, (who shall reside at Annapolis) be appointed intendant of the collection and expenditure of the public assessment and revenue, and all monies and tobacco belonging to this state, for one year, to commence on the first day of February next.

To inspect as-  
sessment, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That the said intendant be authorized to inspect and take account of the public assessment and revenue, and all money, tobacco, and other property, belonging to this state; and to take due care that the same be not destroyed, wasted, misapplied, or embezzled, but managed and improved with the best œconomy, and to the utmost benefit of the public.

To superin-  
tend collec-  
tion, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That the said intendant be empowered to superintend the collection of the public assessment now due, or to arise due, and to call on all collectors thereof to render fair and full accounts of their collections, and to adjust the same, and make payment of the balances, agreeable to law, and in case of refusal or neglect to enforce the punctual performance of their duty; and the said intendant may, from special and peculiar circumstances, by his order in writing to either of the treasurers, or the clerk of the general court, direct that any collector's bond be not sued, or if sued that the action be continued or struck off; and he may release the whole or any part of the interest due from any collector.

To supervise  
commission-  
ers, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That the said intendant be authorized to supervise the commissioners of the tax of the several counties, and to direct them in the execution of their office, and in case of their neglect to perform any of the duties required of them by law, to direct prosecutions against them; and it is declared to be the particular duty of the  
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