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parish aforesaid were at that time called out on militia duty, which prevented their meeting to choose vestrymen and churchwardens agreeable to law, and not being in time acquainted with the acts entitled, 'An act to make valid the proceedings of Port-Tobacco Mills in Charles county, and for other purposes therein mentioned, to avail themselves thereof.'

Inhabitants to elect a vestry, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all the inhabitants of Saint John's parish aforesaid, qualified to vote for delegates of assembly, and contributing to the charges of the said parish, may, on the first Monday in January next, meet at their parish church, and then and there elect a vestry, agreeable to an act passed March 1st 1776, intitled, 'An act for the establishment of select vestries, and agreeable to an act, entitled, 'A Supplement to the act for the establishment of select vestries, passed November session seventeen hundred and seventy-nine; and the said vestry shall have all the powers given by the last recited act.'

C H A P. III.

An ACT for the relief of John Galloway, of Baltimore county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that John Galloway was prevented by indisposition from taking the oath of fidelity and support to this state, within the time limited by the act for the better security of government, but has since taken the said oath, and demeaned himself peaceably and as a faithful subject:

J. Galloway relieved from disabilities, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That if the said John Galloway shall, on or before the first day of March next, take, repeat, and subscribe, the oath of fidelity and support to this state, required by the act for the better security of government, before some justice of the peace of Baltimore county, and deliver a certificate thereof to the clerk of said county, who shall, and he is hereby directed to enrol the name of the said John Galloway in his book kept for that purpose, he shall from thenceforth be relieved from all pains, penalties and disabilities whatsoever, and shall be entitled to all the privileges and immunities of a free citizen of this state, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

C H A P. IV.

An ACT for the benefit of William Russell, of Great-Britain.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Thomas Russell, of Cæcil county, for and in behalf of the said William Russell, did, by his humble memorial to this general assembly, set forth and represent, amongst other things, that the said William Russell was a warm and steady friend to America during the late war with Great-Britain, and exerted his utmost endeavours to prevent the commencement thereof; that his purse and interest, both considerable, were liberally made use of