

C H A P.
XXXVIII.

quence thereof, did assess ten pounds of tobacco per poll, on the parishioners aforesaid, from year to year, for the purpose of raising a sufficient sum to enable them to erect said chapel, as a place of divine worship; and that workmen were employed by said vestry to build the same, who undertook the work, and had nearly completed it, when there was not money enough then ready collected to discharge their accounts, and they refused to complete the said building unless the money could be immediately paid; that thereupon the vestry, to wit, the reverend Robert Renny, Horatio Sharpe, John Walker, Richard Jacob, junior, John Stevens and Benjamin Fowler, borrowed the sum of fifty-four pounds seven shillings sterling money, from the reverend Walter Magowan, and passed their bond to him for the payment of the sum borrowed, with interest, from the fifth day of December, seventeen hundred and seventy-two; that the county court aforesaid afterwards proceeded to assess a further tax to enable the vestry aforesaid to discharge the debt aforesaid incurred to finish the said chapel, and the same was collected by William Noke, then sheriff of the said county, and paid by him in the month of June, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine, to the vestry, in depreciated continental money; that they as conscientious men did not think themselves justifiable in making a tender thereof to the said Walter Magowan, in discharge of the money borrowed as aforesaid; that the said vestry placed it in the hands of Samuel Jacob, their clerk, with directions that it should be loaned out on good security, but the same was not done; that the said Walter Magowan commenced suits against the said John Walker, Richard Jacob, Vachel Stevens and William Pumphry, for recovery of said money so lent, and hath obtained judgment against them; that the said vestry have now in their possession about one hundred pounds current money, which has been received for the rents of the glebe of said parish, which is now without a minister; the said petitioners therefore pray, that the said vestry may be empowered to apply the said money, together with such rents as may hereafter arise, in discharge of the said judgment; and this general assembly thinking it reasonable and just, that the prayer of said petitioners should be granted;

Vestry may
apply rents,
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II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That the vestry of Saint Margaret's Westminster parish, or a major part of them, be, and are hereby authorized and empowered to apply all such monies as they now have in their possession, or may hereafter receive for rents of the glebe of said parish, in payment and satisfaction of the said judgment, till the same be fully discharged; provided, that nothing in this act shall affect the right or claim of any person not herein mentioned to the said glebe, or the rents or profits of the same.

C H A P. XXXIX.

Passed Janua-
ry 20.

An ACT continuing the act to prevent the exportation of unmerchantable tobacco, and the supplementary act thereto, and for establishing an inspection of tobacco at George-town, in Montgomery county, and an inspection of tobacco in the city of Annapolis.

Acts conti-
nued.

BE it enacted, *by the general assembly of Maryland,* That the act of assembly to prevent the exportation of unmerchantable tobacco, and also the supplementary act thereto, both passed the last session of assembly, shall be and are hereby continued one year, and until the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter.

II. *And,* whereas sundry inhabitants of Montgomery, Frederick and Washington counties, by their petition to this general assembly, have set forth, that there are nearly four thousand hogsheads of tobacco inspected annually at George-town, in Montgomery county, and that there was reason to expect the quantity this year would be more considerable; that fifteen hundred or two thousand hogsheads are as many as two inspectors can well attend to, and give the necessary dispatch to those who present tobacco for inspection; that the bulk of the tobacco being carried to the warehouse within a few weeks of the time the in-
spection