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XXXVII.

reposed in them by this act, and to pay to the treasurer of the western shore the amount of the debts due from the said Archibald Buchanan to the state aforesaid, in final settlement certificates as aforesaid, if the said land shall sell for a sum sufficient for that purpose, after paying the expences attending the sale thereof, and if the said lands should not sell for a sum sufficient for that purpose, to pay so much as the said sales shall amount to, after deducting the aforesaid expences attending the same; saving the right of any creditor of the said Archibald Buchanan, by judgment obtained before the judgment rendered as aforesaid on behalf of this state against the said Nicholas Rogers and wife, the heir of the said Archibald; and saving also to the said Nicholas Rogers and wife, the costs by them sustained in the suits against them by this state, if by law they are entitled to retain the said costs out of the value of the lands descended to the wife of the said Nicholas.

Commission
allowed.

VI. And be it enacted, That the said trustees shall be allowed a commission of five per cent. for their trouble in executing the powers intrusted to them by virtue of this act.

C H A P. XXXVIII.

Passed May
26.

An ACT vesting certain powers in the commissioners of the tax of Anne-Arundel county.

Commission-
ers to divide
the county
into districts,
&c.

BE it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of the tax for Anne-Arundel county, be and they are hereby empowered and directed, to divide the said county into convenient districts, not exceeding seven, and to appoint a collector in each district, who shall, on giving bond with sufficient security, to be by them approved, proceed to make the collection in his respective district; and the said commissioners may allow the said collectors a reasonable time to make their collection; provided a final settlement with the treasurer shall take place on or before the twentieth day of September next.

Powers of
collectors.
&c.

II. And be it enacted, That the collectors, who shall be appointed by virtue of this act, shall have the same powers in their respective districts, as are given to collectors in their respective counties, and they shall be entitled to the same commission on collection, and subject to the same penalties, as collectors are liable to by the said act.

C H A P. XXXIX.

Passed May
26.

An ACT to repeal the fortieth section of the constitution and form of government.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the fortieth section of the constitution and form of government in the following words, that is to say, "That the chancellor, all judges, the attorney-general, clerks of the general court, the clerks of the county courts, the register of the land-office, and the register of wills, shall hold their commissions during good behaviour, removable only for misbehaviour, on conviction in a court of law," is inconsistent with the thirtieth section of the declaration of rights, and great inconvenience and injury to the public and individuals may result from officers of government being removable only for misbehaviour, on conviction in a court of law;

The fortieth
section re-
pealed, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That the said fortieth section of the constitution and form of government be repealed, and any officer mentioned in the same fortieth section shall be removed for misbehaviour, on conviction in a court of law, and may be removed by the governor, upon the address of the general assembly; provided, that two thirds of all the members of each house concur in such address.

When to take
place.

III. This act to take place on its being confirmed by the general assembly, after the next election of delegates in the first session after such new election, according to the constitution and form of government.

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