

C H A P. XXI. late the estate of Joseph Richardson, deceased, be and is hereby vested in Essex Sherburne Ridley, and his heirs, for ever.

Trustees appointed, &c.

III. *And be it further enacted,* That Samuel Hughes and Daniel Bowley, Esquires, be and are hereby appointed trustees for the said Essex Sherburne Ridley, and they, or the survivor of them, shall have full power and authority to lease out, for any term of years they, or the survivor of them, may think proper, under annual ground-rents, the aforesaid lots of ground left by the said Joseph Richardson to, and for the benefit of, the said Essex Sherburne Ridley; and the rents arising therefrom to apply towards the education and support of the said Essex Sherburne Ridley during his minority; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect the right, title or claim, of any other person or persons whatever to the said property, or any part thereof.

C H A P. XXII.

Passed December 10.

An ACT empowering the wardens of the port of Baltimore to levy and collect the duty therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS many useful regulations have taken place in consequence of the powers heretofore granted to the wardens of the port of Baltimore; and to enable them to carry the said regulations into full effect,

Wardens to levy money, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the wardens of the said port of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to assess, levy and collect, on every vessel arriving at the said port of Baltimore from sea, a sum of money not exceeding two cents per ton, to be appropriated and applied by the said board of wardens to carry into effect the rules and regulations which they may from time to time make, respecting the harbour and port of Baltimore.

Parts of former laws repealed.

III. *And be it further enacted,* That so much of the act of assembly, entitled, An act appointing wardens for the port of Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, which empowers the said board of wardens to assess and levy a duty of one penny per ton on every vessel entering or clearing at the said port; and also so much of another act of assembly, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, an act appointing wardens for the port of Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, which empowers the board of wardens to assess, levy and collect, on every vessel arriving at the said port of Baltimore, except pilot boats and vessels not coming from sea belonging to citizens of this state, a sum of money not exceeding two-pence current money per ton, be and are hereby repealed.

Proviso.

IV. *Provided always,* That this act of assembly shall not operate and take effect until the same be ratified and confirmed by an act of the congress of the United States.

C H A P. XXIII.

Passed December 21.

A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of Easton, in Talbot county, and to establish and regulate a market at the said town.

Commissioners may levy certain taxes, &c.

BE it enacted, *by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners of the said town shall have power and authority to assess and levy, upon every person or persons keeping, for common use, a billiard-table within the limits of the said town, or within two miles thereof, an annual tax of six pounds current money for every billiard-table so kept and used; and likewise to assess and levy an annual tax of three shillings and nine-pence current money on every dog, and the sum of seven shillings and six-pence current money on every bitch, belonging to any of the inhabitants of the said town; and the said commissioners shall direct the said respective taxes to be collected by the bailiff of the said town from every person keeping any such billiard-table as aforesaid, and from the owner of such dog or bitch, and to enforce the collection thereof in like manner