

C H A P.
XXVII.

said constitution, or, on the application of the legislatures of two thirds of the several states, shall call a convention for proposing amendments, which, in either case, shall be valid, to all intents and purposes, as part of the said constitution, when ratified by the legislatures of three fourths of the several states, or by conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other modes of ratification may be proposed by the congress: And whereas the third congress of the United States, at the first session, begun and held at the city of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, on Monday the second of December, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, two thirds of both houses concurring, that the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three fourths of the said legislatures, shall be valid as part of the said constitution, viz. The judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit, in law or equity, commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by citizens of another state, or by citizens or subjects of any foreign state;

Amendment
confirmed.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the aforesaid amendment be and it is hereby confirmed and ratified.

C H A P. XXVIII.

Passed De-
cember 26.

An ACT to lay a further tax on Cæcil county to complete the court-house, prison and prison-yard, at Elkton.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by the commissioners appointed under an act, entitled, An act for the removal of the seat of justice from Charles-town to the Head of Elk, in Cæcil county, that the further sum of one thousand pounds current money will be necessary to complete the said buildings, which sum the said commissioners, and other inhabitants, have prayed may be levied in two annual payments on the inhabitants of Cæcil county,

Justices to le-
vy money,
&c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the justices of Cæcil county be and they are hereby empowered and directed to levy and assess, at their next levy court, the sum of one thousand pounds current money on the assessable property in said county, together with the collector's commission for collecting the same; which said sum, so to be assessed and levied, shall be collected by the collector of said county, one third in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-five, one third in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-six, and the remaining third in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, in the same manner as the public and county assessments are by law collected, and the same, as soon as collected, shall, by the said collector, be paid to the said commissioners, or their order, for the purpose of completing the said public buildings, and for defraying the expence thereof.

C H A P. XXIX.

Passed De-
cember 26.

An ACT relating to the Patowmack Company, and the navigation of the Patowmack River.

Preamble.

WHEREAS a variety of unforeseen difficulties have occurred in the opening of the Patowmack River, and have unavoidably delayed the same being rendered navigable: And whereas it is but reasonable and just that those who have advanced such large sums of money in the prosecution of a work of great public and national importance, and have so nearly effected the same, should have a further reasonable time for the completion thereof; therefore,

Part of an act
repealed; &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That so much of an act of the general assembly, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled, An act giving a more speedy remedy against delinquent subscribers to the Patowmack Company, shall be and the same is hereby repealed,