CHAP. the taxes and county rates for Kent county for the year seventeen hundred and nulty-live, and that the faid Thomas Jones died before his time for collection had expired, leaving many balances of the faid taxes and county rates uncollected, for the payment of which balances they, as securities of the said Thomas Jones, are liable; and the faid Robert Buchanan, Simon Wilmer, of Edward, and Henry Curry, have prayed that they may be empowered to collect all balances due and uncollected as aforesaid, in the same manner that the said Thomas Jones, deceased, might have done when living, in virtue of his said office of collector; and it appearing to this general affembly that the prayer of the faid petition is highly reasonable,

R. Buchanan, lect, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Robert &c. may col- Buchanan, Simon Wilmer, of Edward, and Henry Curry, or any two of them, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to collect, on or before the first day of October next, all balances owing as aforesaid to the said deceased collector, in manner following, to wit: That the aforesaid Robert Buchanan, Simon Wilmer, of Edward, and Henry Curry, or any two of them, or some person or persons authorised by them, or any two of them, in the collection aforesaid, deliver to the person charged, or leave at his or her place of abode, an account, stating the taxes or county rates, or such part thereof, as may be claimed as due, and if the person or persons owing such taxes or county rates shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, it shall and may be lawful for the said Robert Buchanan, Simon Wilmer, of Edward, and Henry Curry, or any two of them, or such person or persons as may be authorised by them, or any two of them, to collect the same by execution or distress of property of the person or persons so resusing or neglecting, and to fell and dispose thereof at public auction at the expiration of five days, exclusive of the day of seizure and day of sale.

C H A P.

Passed December 24.

An ACT to empower Thomas Bond and Henry Richardson, securities for Thomas Gibson, late sheriff of Harford county, deceased, and Thomas Ringgold and Michael Corse, securities for Thomas Jones, late sheriff of Kent county, deceased, to collect the balances due to, and uncollected by, the faid sheriffs respectively.

Preamble.

HEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petitions of Thomas Bond and Henry Richardson, securities for Thomas Gibson, late sheriff of Harford county, deceased, and Thomas Ringgold and Michael Corse, securities for Thomas Jones, late sheriff of Kent county, deceased, that the respective sheriffs for whom they became securities have died before they could complete their collections of officers fees, and amerciaments due to the state, in the counties aforesaid, and have prayed that a law may pass, authorising them to complete the said collections, and it appearing reasonable to this general affembly; therefore,

T. Bond, &c. may collect,

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Thomas Bond and Henry Richardson, or the survivor of them, and the said Thomas Ringgold and Michael Corfe, or the furvivor of them, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to collect, on or before the first day of October next, all balances of officers fees, and amerciaments due to the state, which were put into the hands of the said deceased sheriffs respectively to be collected for the year seventeen hundred and ninety-five, in manner following, to wit: That the aforefaid Thomas Bond and Henry Richardson, or some person or persons authorised by them, or the survivor of them, in the collection aforesaid for Harford county, and Thomas Ringgold and Michael Corfe, or some person or persons authorised by them, or the survivor of them, in the collection aforesaid for Kent county, shall deliver, if required, to the person charged, or leave at his or her place of abode, in their respective counties as aforesaid, an account, stating the officers fees and amerciaments as aforefaid, or fuch part thereof, as may be claimed as due, and if the person or persons owing such sees or amerciaments shall neglect