JOHN H. STONE, Esquire, Governor.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Meslieurs CHAP. George Waters, William Stevens, William Corbin, John Cottingham and Philip Quinton, are hereby constituted commissioners; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, are hereby authorifed and empowered, as soon as con- &c. venient, to cause a new bridg to be erected over the Dividing Creek, at the place where the old bridge now stands near Dividing Creek chapel; and the faid commissioners, or a majority of them, are hereby empowered to contract, in the whole or in part, with any person or persons who will undertake to do the said work at the cheapest rate, or the said commissioners may purchase materials and hire labourers to complete the faid work.

III. And be it enacted. That the justices of the levy courts of Wordester and Justices to lea Somerset counties, at their next levy court, shall and they are hereby directed by money, to levy on the assessable property of their respective counties a sum not exceeding twenty-five pounds current money on each of the countries aforesaid, which faid sum shall be affessed and collected with the collector's usual commissions, in the same manner as the other county charges of the said counties are collected; and the said collectors of the said counties shall be answerable for and pay the said fums of money to be by them levied from their counties respectively, to the commissioners, or either of them, or their order, at any time after the said sum or fums of money ought to have been collected; and if either of the faid collectors shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, at the times aforesaid, the commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised and required to sue for and recover the same in the county court of the county in which such collector, his heirs, executors or securities, or either of them, shall reside, in an action on the case, in which it shall be only necessary for such commissioner or commissioners to declare for so much money had and received to his or their use.

IV. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners shall annually lay before Assiraccount the lev courts of the counties aforesaid a fair and distinct account of all money laid before by them received and expended for the purpose aforesaid, and the surplus, if any, the court, after completing the bridge aforesaid, shall be applied towards paying the county charges; and if the said commissioners shall refuse or neglect to render such account, or shall neglect or refuse to pay over the balance in their hands to such uses, and to such persons, as the said levy courts respectively shall order and direct, that the said commissioners, or either of them, shall be liable to be sued in the county in which such commissioner or commissioners reside, in the name of the state of Maryland, in an action for money had and received to the use of the state, in which action proof of the receipt of the money by any of the said commissioners shall be sufficient to support the said action, and such sum of money recovered in the said action or actions, shall be received by the justices of the levy court ordering such suit, and applied by them in the manner herein before directed.

V. And be it enacted, That upon the death of any of the said commissioners, How vacanor on his refusing to act, it shall and may be lawful for the justices of the levy filled. court of the county in which such person or persons so dying, or refusing to act, shall have resided, from time to time to appoint a fit and proper person or perfons to fill the place of fuch person or persons dying or refusing to act.

C H A P. XII.

An ACT to ratify and make valid the sales of land made by Passed December 30.

Daniel of Saint Thomas Jenifer, while agent for this state. THEREAS Daniel of Saint Thomas Jenifer, while agent for this state, Preamble. sold several tracts or parcels of land the property of said state: And whereas doubts have arisen whether the purchasers of said lands can

obtain complete titles under any existing law;

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases of Chancellor to sales made by the said Daniel of Saint Thomas Jeniser, the chancellor shall be examine, &c.