

C H A P.
CIX.
Sections re-
pealed.

III. **And be it enacted,** That the third and fourth sections of the said original act, to which this is a supplement, be and they are hereby repealed, so far as they relate to Baltimore county.

Fifth section
repealed, &c.

IV. **And be it enacted,** That so much of the fifth section of the said original act as requires an application in writing, signed by two thirds of the inhabitants of any hundred or hundreds, so far as it concerns Baltimore county, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the levy court of said county may, in their discretion, proceed as in the said section is directed, upon an application in writing, signed by a number of respectable inhabitants of such hundred or hundreds.

Days of pay-
ment to be
mentioned,
&c.

V. **And be it enacted,** That in all cases where the levy court of said county shall issue an order to the collector to pay to any supervisor any money under and in virtue of the original law, and supplements aforesaid, the said levy court shall specify and mention in such order the day or days for the payment of the same; and in case of neglect or refusal in the said collector to settle and pay the same, agreeably to the tenor of such order, the said supervisor shall, within five days thereafter, under the penalty of twenty dollars, give notice of such neglect or refusal to the clerk of the said county, who shall thereupon, within ten days thereafter, give notice to the justices of said county to meet at their usual place of meeting, at a day therein mentioned, and the said levy court, when so assembled, shall and they are hereby authorised, directed and empowered, to issue an execution or executions against the said collector, out of the said county court, for the sum of money so due from the said collector, in the manner and form prescribed by the thirteenth section of the said original act.

C H A P. CX.

An ACT to prevent excessive gaming.

WHEREAS it hath been represented to this general assembly, that certain persons, as well citizens of this as of other states, and foreigners, carry about with them from one public place to another in this state certain gambling machines or inventions, calculated to deceive and defraud the innocent and unguarded, to the prejudice of society, and the corruption of morals; and this assembly being desirous to put a stop to such pernicious and baneful effects, therefore,

II. **Be it enacted,** by the General Assembly of Maryland, That after the passage of this act, no E. O. A. B. C. L. S. D. or faro table, or other device, except billiard tables, for the purpose of gaming for money, shall be set up, kept or maintained in any dwelling-house, out-house or place occupied by any tavern-keeper, retailer of wine, spirituous liquors, beer or cyder, whether such person have a licence or not, on pain of forfeiting every such E. O. A. B. C. L. S. D. table, or other device, and of forfeiting moreover, for every offence, the sum of fifty pounds current money, upon conviction thereof by indictment or confession in the county court of the county wherein the offence shall be committed.

III. **And be it enacted,** That if any tavern-keeper shall, after the passage of this act, permit any E. O. A. B. C. L. S. D. or faro table, or other device, to be set up, kept or played in his or her tavern, out-house, or place appertaining or near to the same, his or her licence, upon conviction thereof, shall be void, to all intents and purposes.

IV. **And be it enacted,** That it shall and may be lawful, and it is hereby declared to be the duty of any justice of the peace of this state, upon complaint made, or on his own view, to suppress and prevent the playing at any of the above-mentioned tables, or any other device for gaming, and if resistance shall be made to his authority, it shall and may be lawful for the said justice of the peace to commit the person or persons offending in the premises to the custody of the sheriff, or any constable of the county, who may, if necessary, summon the *posse comitatus* to his assistance to enforce the execution of this law.

V. **And**

Passed Janua-
ry 20.

Preamble.

No E. O. ta-
ble, &c. to
be set up, &c.

Penalty on
tavern-keep-
ers, &c.

Justice may
prevent the
playing, &c.