

C H A P. LXXXVII.

An ACT authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the finishing
Washington academy, in Somerset county, and for other purposes.

Passed 8th of
January, 1803

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall and may be lawful for Littleton Dennis, Levin Winder, John Dennis, Littleton D. Teakle and George W. Jackson, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery for raising a sum of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets thereof, provided the said Littleton Dennis, Levin Winder, John Dennis, Littleton D. Teakle and George W. Jackson, or such majority of them as shall undertake to act under this law, shall, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of five thousand dollars, conditioned, that they will well and truly apply so much of the money arising therefrom, within six months from the time the drawing of said lottery shall commence, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expences incurred in said lottery, shall apply the residue of the money so raised to the finishing the house intended for the use of said academy, and the purchase of necessary apparatus for the use of said academy, and all such other objects for the improvement of said academy, as the trustees for the time being may think most to the advantage of said academy.

Persons to propose a scheme &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of said commissioners, before they act as such, to lodge such bond in the clerk's office of Somerset county, there to be recorded, and upon such bond, or any office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted against the obligors therein, or any of them, or their legal representatives, for any breach or non-compliance with the condition of the same.

Bond to be lodged, &c.

C H A P. LXXXVIII.

An ACT to authorise the drawing of certain lotteries within the
city of Baltimore.

Passed 8th of
January, 1803.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of several religious societies in the city of Baltimore, that their funds are inadequate to carry into effect the laudable purposes contemplated by the petitioners, and praying that a law may pass, authorising them to raise by lottery certain sums of money, to enable them to finish their respective churches: And whereas by an act, entitled, An act to erect Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, into a city, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, the drawing of lotteries within the said city is confined to special purposes; therefore,

Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act it shall and may be lawful for the mayor and city council of Baltimore to authorise the elders, deacons and trustees, of the German reformed congregation, the trustees of the Roman catholic church, and the trustees of the Baptist congregation, (on Fell's Point,) respectively, to institute a scheme or schemes of a lottery or lotteries within the said city, and to dispose of tickets therein, for the purposes contemplated by this act, under such limitations as the mayor and city council shall by ordinance direct.

Mayor, &c. may authorise lotteries, &c.

C H A P. LXXXIX.

An ACT to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to lay
a tax on property within the said city and the precincts thereof,
and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned.

Passed 8th of
January, 1803.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the memorial of the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common council, of the city of Annapolis, that the annual ordinary expences of the corporation of the city of Annapolis, for the support of the mayor's court and its proper officers, and the necessary charge of repairing the streets, supporting the lamps, and maintaining watchmen, require considerable sums of money, and the funds belonging to said city are very trivial, and greatly inadequate to the annual expences thereof; therefore,

Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the corporation of the said city of Annapolis, and their successors, be and they are hereby authorised to lay a tax, not exceeding seven shillings and six-pence in any one year, for every hundred pounds of property within the said city and the precincts thereof, as the said corporation may think proper.

Corporation may lay a tax, &c.