

Dec Ses 1817. to erect a building, with convenient apartments, for the accommodation of the register of wills, and clerk of the county court, and the safe keeping of the public records of the county before mentioned; or if they may deem it more suitable, to repair and alter the court-house in such manner as to provide apartments for the purposes before recited.

To be made fire proof.

Levy to be completed in two years.

2. *And be it enacted*, That if a building be erected for said purposes it shall be made fire-proof, or if the levy court consider it more suitable to alter and repair the court-house, in that case the court-house shall be made fire-proof.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the levy court shall, after they have determined what sum will be sufficient for the aforesaid purposes, levy and assess the one half thereof in the year eighteen hundred and eighteen, and the other half in the year eighteen hundred and nineteen, to be collected as other county charges are.

CHAPTER 75.

Passed Jan 30

Time extended for collection.

To be allowed for removals & insolvencies.

To deliver account before he executes.

An act to empower Thomas W. Griffith, late Collector of Baltimore County, to complete his Collections, and for other purposes.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Thomas W. Griffith, late collector of Baltimore county, be and he is hereby allowed twelve months in addition to the time given him by law to complete his collection.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners of the tax for the city and county of Baltimore, as the case may be, and they are hereby authorised, at any time before the first day of January eighteen hundred and nineteen, to make allowances to the said Thomas W. Griffith, for all removals and insolvencies which may appear to them to be just and proper, and the amount of the allowances so made shall be passed to his credit, or levied for his use, by the levy court of Baltimore county, as they may deem proper.

3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the said Thomas W. Griffith, before he proceeds to execute or distrain the property of any person chargeable with, or answerable for the payments of taxes, to cause to be delivered to such person, or to the tenant occupying the premises taxed, an account thereof, at least ten days before levying any such execution or distress.

CHAPTER 76.

Passed Jan 30

Preamble.

An act to authorise Hannah A. Hayes, Guardian of the Minor Children of Stephen Hayes, late of Cecil County, deceased, to sell and convey all the right, title and interest, of the said Minor Children to certain Real and Personal Estate therein mentioned.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Hannah A. Hayes, guardian of the minor children of Stephen Hayes, late of Cecil county, deceased, that the said Stephen Hayes, at the time of his death, was entitled in his own right to the one undivided fourth part of all the lands, real estate, stock and personal property, held and owned by the Elk Forge Company, then trading under the firm of Robert May and Company, and now trading under the firm of Samuel Hayes and Company; that