Dec. Ses. 1821.

CHAPTER 222.

Passed Feb. 22.

An act to relinquish the right of the state to certain lands therein mentioned.

1822. Preamble.

WHEREAS, sundry ritizens of this state, have heretofore located warrants, and obtained patents for lands included within the lands reserved for the use of the state, lying westward of fort Cumberland in Allegany county; And whereas the titles of said patentees, and of those claiming under them, are of doubtful validity—Therefore,

State right relinquished.

BE IT ENACTED By the General Assembly of Maryland, That the right of this state, in and to the lands lying within the said reserve, for which patents may have at any time heretofore been granted, and the patentees thereof and those claiming under them, are in possession of the same respectively, be, and the same is hereby released, and the titles of the said patentees and of those claiming under them respectively, be, and the same are hereby confirmed to them, their heirs and assigns.

Passed Feb. 1. 1822.

CHAPTER 223.

An act authorising Commissioners to make alterations in the election districts of Montgomery county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it appears to this general assembly, that the election districts of Montgomery county are not laid off as nearly equal as possible with regard to extent and population, whereby great inconvenience is experienced by many of the voters; for remedy whereof,

Commissioners new-to return boundaries.

Sed. 1. Be IT ENACTED By the General Assembly of Maryland, -may lay off a. That William Culver, William Wilson, Edward Burgess, Elijah Wiers, [Viers] and Solomon Davis, be, and they are hereby appointed and authorised, or a majority of them, or a majority of the survivors of them, commissioners to review, alter and change the lines and bounds of any of the election districts, and to lay off anew, and divide Montgomery county into five separate election districts, in conformity to an act to confirm an act entitled, An act to altar, abolish and repeal certain parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as therein mentioned, passed in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-nine, chapter forty-eight, carefully making the several election districts as nearly equal as possible, having regard to population, extent and convenience of the voters; and each election district shall be numbered by the commissioners and known thereafter by such number; and the commissioners shall also make choice of a place in each district, at which the elections for such district shall be held, as nearly central as practicable, having regard to the circumstances aforesaid, and the accommodation of persons attendant upon such elections; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, or a majority of the survivors of them, shall, on or before the second Monday of July next, make out and deliver to the clerk of the county court of said county, a description in writing, under their hands and seals, specifying plainly the boundaries and number of each district, and also the place in each district where the elections for such district shall be held; and the said clerk shall record the same in the records of said county.

When to meet

2. And BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners appointed by this act, or a majority of them, or a majority of the survivors of them, shall meet at Rockville in said county, on the first Monday in April next, for the purpose of performing the duties imposed by