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this act.

83. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act shall be taken or Learning of construed to extend to any part of the militia of this state, except the division aforesaid.

Farch division created.

84. And be it enacted, That all that part of the present! third division not comprised within the limits of the city of Baltimore, shall be and hereby is, constituted into an additional division to be known and designated as the fourth division of the militia of this state, and the Governor and Council, shall be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to appoint a major general and the necessary staff officers for the organization of the said fourth division.

CHAPTER 189.

Passed Feb. 23, 1824. Preamble.

A supplement to the act for the establishment of Vestries for each Parish in this State.

WHEREAS, the act to which this is a supplement does not provide for the election of a vestry in any parish, in which there may not

Authority to try.

be persons enrolled as in that act is directed, therefore, Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, 'That organisea ves from and after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful for any two or more members of the protestant episcopal church, in any parish in this state, in which there shall be no vestry, to call a meeting of the members of said church at the parish church, or if there shall be no parish church, at any convenient place in such parish, first giving ten days notice of the time and place of such meeting by advertisement in writing set up at the most public places in such parish, and the members of said church when so convened shall have power to elect a chairman and secretary, the former to preside at such meeting, and to determine who of the members convened shall be entitled to vote, and the latter to record or take minutes of the proceedings, and the said meeting shall thereupon elect by ballot eight of the most religious and intelligent members of such church as vestrymen.

Their authority.

2. And be it enacted, That the persons so elected shall within ten days after their election, or as soon thereafter as practicable, meet and qualify in the manner now prescribed for other vestrymen, and shall thereafter be considered the vestry of such parish until the next Easter Monday, and as such shall have power to elect church wardens and a register and to do all other acts which the vestries can lawfully do.

CHAPTER 190.

Passed Feb. 13, 1824. Legal capaci-

An act for the relief of Rebacca Lindenberger, of the city of Baltimore. SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Rebecca Lindenberger, wife of Frederick Lindenberger, of the city of Baltimore, be and she is hereby authorised and declared capable in law, to have, take, receive and hold, any discription of property, whether real or personal, which she may acquire, whether by purchase, gift, bequest, descent or by her own exertions, and the same to use and enjoy for her own use and benefit in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and had never been married, and the same to dispose of according to her will and pleasure; and the said Rebecca Lindenberger, is also declared capable in law to suc for and recover by suit or suits in law or equity, or by compromise, all such property or debts to which she is or may be entitled, or to be sued in the same manner and form as if she were a feme sole.