

within this state respectively, and for the attorney-general; one copy of the laws and resolutions for the register in chancery, and for the register of wills in each respective county, and for the clerk of the general court on the western and eastern shore respectively, and for the respective treasurers, to be retained by them for the use of their respective offices; and the same shall be packed up by the said printer, and directed accordingly; and the said printer shall completely print and stich, in the manner herein before mentioned, the number of the copies of the said laws and resolutions, and of the said votes and proceedings, required by this act, and shall deposit the same, carefully packed up, and sealed and directed, in the council chamber, in the care of the clerk of the council, within the space of sixty days after the receipt of the original copies thereof from the clerks of the respective houses of assembly as aforesaid, and shall take a receipt from the clerk of the council for the same; and if the said printer shall neglect or refuse to print, stich, pack up or deposit, the said laws and resolutions, and the said votes and proceedings, within the time limited by this act as aforesaid, such printer shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty pounds current money for every refusal or neglect, to be recovered and applied as aforesaid, and shall moreover forfeit his allowance or salary as printer of the state.

“ And be it enacted, That the clerk of the council shall, within the space of three days after the receipt of the said laws and resolutions, and of the said votes and proceedings, from the printer as aforesaid, endorse each packet thereof for public service, and subscribe his name, and shall deliver the same to the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, to be forwarded as is herein after mentioned, and shall take his receipt for the same, under the penalty of twenty pounds current money for every refusal or neglect.”

Before the word “be” in the 5th line of the 1st page insert the word “and,” and in the same line strike out the words “by the general assembly of Maryland.” In the 8th line of the same page strike out the words “or under sheriff.” In the 5th line from the bottom of the same page strike out the words “or deputy.” In the 7th line of the 2d page strike out the words “or deputy,” and strike out the first word “sheriff” in the succeeding line. In the 3d line from the bottom of the same page strike out the words “or his deputy.” In the 3d, 9th, and 14th lines of the 3d page, strike out the words “or his deputy.” In the 4th and 11th lines of the 4th page strike out the words “or his deputy.” In the 1st, 7th, and 13th lines of the 5th page, strike out the words “or his deputy.” In the 3d, 8th, and 14th lines of the 6th page, strike out the words “or his deputy.” In the 4th, 9th, and 14th lines of the 7th page, strike out the words “or his deputy.” In the 4th and 9th lines of the 8th page strike out the words “or his deputy.” After the word “packets” in the 10th line of the same page, insert the words “as may be directed.” In the 3d line from the bottom of the same page strike out the words “and deputy sheriffs.” At the end of the 3d line of the last page, insert the following sections: “ And be it enacted, That every sheriff to whom such public letters or packets shall be delivered for any person or persons residing in the adjoining counties as aforesaid, shall, within the space of five days after the receipt thereof, deliver, or cause to be delivered the same, to the sheriff of the proper county, according to the directions herein before contained, or in default thereof every such sheriff shall suffer the penalties herein before prescribed for every refusal or neglect.

“ And be it enacted, That if any sheriff shall be actually unable to perform his duties, by sickness or absence from the county at the time when any such public letters or packets shall be ready to be delivered, it shall then be lawful for his deputy sheriff, and he is hereby required and enjoined, to receive such public letters or packets, and to execute and perform the several duties concerning the same which are herein before required of his principal; and if any deputy sheriff, whose principal shall be unable to execute his office for the reasons aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to comply with the directions of this act, such deputy shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifteen pounds current money for every refusal or neglect.

“ And be it enacted, That if the clerk of any county, in whose office the acts of the general assembly and the votes and proceedings shall be deposited in virtue of this act, shall deliver the same, or any of them, to any person or persons whatsoever, other than to him or them to whom they shall be directed, or to their orders in writing, such clerk shall forfeit and pay the sum of five pounds current money for every such delivery.

“ And be it enacted, That the governor and council for the time being be requested to superintend the faithful execution of this act.”

Which were read.

And the supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors confined in sundry gaols of this state, endorsed; “ By the senate, December 1, 1790: Read the first time and “ ordered to lie on the table.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk.

“ By the senate, December 9, 1790: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

“ By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk.”

Amendment proposed. At the end of the bill add the following clause: “ But whereas it is alleged on the part of some of the creditors of the said Dennis Griffith, that it is suspected he hath been guilty of some fraud and embezzlement in the disposition of his estate to some pretended trustee for the use of his creditors; Be it enacted, That the chancellor, on the application of the said creditors, or some of them, shall have full power and authority to nominate and appoint three judicious and discreet persons of Anne-Arundel county, conversant in accounts, as commissioners to inquire into the truth of every such allegation, and to report a statement of the facts to the chancellor; and the said commissioners so appointed and accepting the trust reposed in them by virtue of this act, shall forthwith repair before the chancellor, by whom an oath or affirmation shall be administered to the said commissioners