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LAWS OF MARYLAND.

[BY AUTHORITY.]

In Council,

Annapolis, April 21st, 1826.

Ordered, that the several acts of assembly, proposing alterations in, or amendments to the constitution, which were passed at December session last; and also the act entitled, "An act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this state," be published once a week for four weeks, in the Maryland Republican, and Maryland Gazette, Annapolis; The Patriot, American, Gazette and Chronicle Baltimore; Political Examiner, Frederick Town; Maryland Herald, and Torch Light, Hagerstown; Maryland Advocate, Cumberland; True American, Rockville; Elkton Press; Chester Town Telegraph, Centreville Times; Star and Gazette, Easton; Cambridge Chronicle & Bond of Union, Harford county.

By order, THO: CULBRETH, Clk.

AN ACT

To amend the Constitution and form of government, as it relates to the division of Somerset county into election districts.

Whereas, it has been represented to this general assembly, that a numerous class of voters on the North side of Wycomico creek, and also in the neighborhoods of Dublin and Cokesbury, on the eastern borders of the middle district of Somerset county, by reason of their remote location from the place of holding elections, are virtually deprived of the privilege of voting, which according to the spirit of the constitution, is designed to be extended to every free white male citizen of this state, and is intended to be secured by the bill of rights; for remedy whereof.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the election district in Somerset county, lately called and known as number two, or the middle district, shall be further subdivided, and that two additional election districts shall be established therein; one of which shall be made convenient to the voters on the north side of Wycomico creek, and the other shall be at or near Dublin or Cokesbury, on the eastern borders of the said district.

2. *And be it enacted*, That in case this act shall be confirmed as required by the constitution, and form of government, the levy court of Somerset county shall be, and they are hereby required to appoint three commissioners, who, or a majority of them, shall proceed to subdivide the said district, and to select and appoint suitable places for holding elections on the north side of Wycomico creek, and in the neighborhoods of Dublin or Cokesbury as aforesaid, having due regard to population, extent of territory, and the convenience of voters.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners who shall be appointed by the levy court in virtue of this act, shall meet at the town of Princess Anne, on the first Monday of May next, succeeding the confirmation of this act, as required by the constitution and form of Government, or within ten days thereafter, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act; and the said commissioners may adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, until they shall have performed and completed the several duties required of them by this act; and the said commissioners shall be, and they hereby are required on or before the first day of July next, after their meeting as aforesaid, to make out and deliver to the clerk of the county aforesaid, a plain and accurate description in writing, of the limits, boundaries and designation of each district so created and laid off, certified under their hands and seals, and the said clerk shall make a fair record thereof amongst the records of the county aforesaid.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners be, and they hereby are authorised and required to adjust and limit the quantum of compensation, to be allowed to the proprietor or proprietors of the place of holding elections in each of the said election districts, if any compensation shall be required by the said proprietor or proprietors, and the same to certify as aforesaid.

5. *And be it enacted*, That for the performance of the duties required of the said commissioners by this act, and for the places of holding elections, if any compensation shall be claimed, the levy court shall make allowance and the same shall levy upon the county, to be collected and paid as other county charges are collected and paid: *Provided*, that the said commissioners shall not receive a sum exceeding two dollars each per diem, for each and every day they may severally be engaged in the proper duties of this act.

6. *And be it enacted*, That after the confirmation of this act, the levy court of Somerset county, shall, according to the provisions of the act of eighteen hundred and five, chapter ninety-seven, appoint three persons in each of the said districts, residents therein, who, or such of them as shall attend, shall be the judge or judges of elections for the district for which he or they shall have been appointed as aforesaid, and the judges so appointed, shall have, hold and exercise the same powers and authorities, and be subject to the same penalties, and be entitled to the same pay as the judges of elections in Somerset county now exercise and are entitled and subject to: *Provided*, That the compensation to be allowed for the services of the said judges and of the clerks by them to be appointed, shall not exceed two dollars per diem, which compensation shall be levied and paid as aforesaid.

7. *And be it enacted*, That all laws now in force, not inconsistent with this act, shall be, and remain, in force; and all provisions repugnant to this act shall be, and the same are declared to be repealed, upon the confirmation of this act.

8. *And be it enacted*, That if this act, shall be confirmed by the next general assembly, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directs; in such case, this act and the alterations in the said constitution contained therein, shall be considered as a part, and constitute, and be valid as a part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, and every matter and thing in the said constitution and form of government in any wise conflicting with or contrary thereto, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed, abrogated and annulled.

By the House of Delegates 11th day of February, 1826—read and assented to.

By order, JOHN BREWER, Clk.

By the Senate, 13th day of February, 1826—read and assented to.

WM. KILTY, Clk.

[L.S.] JOS. KENT, Governor.

An act to alter and amend the constitution of this state, so that the Governor may be elected by the people, and to abolish the council.

Sec. 1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the executive power of this state shall be vested in a governor as hereinafter provided for.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the governor shall be chosen alternately from the western and eastern shores, by the citizens of the state, having the right to vote for delegates to the General Assembly, in the counties where they severally reside, at the time and places where they shall vote for delegates aforesaid, and the votes shall be received and counted by the same judges, and in the same manner as the votes for Delegates; the presiding judges of elections in each county, shall make a list of all the persons voted for as governor in their respective counties, and of the number of votes given for each, which list they shall sign and certify, and transmit, sealed, to the seat of the government, directed to the president of the senate, who shall upon the first Monday after the meeting of the general assembly, in the presence of a majority of the members of each branch, open all the certificates and the votes shall then be counted and the person having a majority of all the votes given, shall be the governor, and the president of the senate shall forthwith announce the same; but if no person shall have a majority of all the votes given, no choice or election shall be considered as having been made, and the said president shall announce the number of votes given to each person voted for, and thereupon a governor shall be elected forthwith by joint ballot of both branches of the legislature, from among the candidates voted for by the people, who shall appear by the said returns to have had the two greatest number of votes, and should neither of the persons so voted for, have a majority of all votes on the joint ballot aforesaid, the ballot shall be renewed and continued until some one of them shall receive such majority; contested elections of governor shall be determined by both branches of the legislature, in such manner as shall be prescribed by law.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the governor shall hold his office, during the term of three years from the time appointed for the annual meeting of the legislature next ensuing his election, and until another governor shall be elected and qualified, but he shall not be eligible as governor, for the three next succeeding years after the expiration of the time for which he shall have been elected.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the governor shall be at least thirty years of age, and have been fourteen years a citizen of the United States, and a resident of this state ten years next preceeding his election, unless he shall have been absent on the public business of this state or of the United States.

5. *And be it enacted*, That the governor shall be removed from office on impeachment for, and conviction of treason, bribery or other high crimes and misdemeanor or any misdemeanors in office, but judgment in such case shall not extend further than removal from office and disqualification to hold any office of honor, trust or profit in this state, he shall nevertheless, whether convicted or acquitted, be liable to indictment, trial, judgment, and punishment according to law.

6. *And be it enacted*, That the house of delegates shall have the sole power of impeaching the governor, but two thirds of all the members shall concur in such impeachment.

7. *And be it enacted*, That the impeachment of the governor shall be tried by the senate, and when sitting for that purpose the senators shall be upon oath or affirmation to do justice according to the evidence; the party accused shall not be convicted without the concurrence of two thirds of all the senators.

8. *And be it enacted*, That the governor shall have his permanent residence at the seat of government, and shall at stated times receive for his services an adequate salary to be fixed by law, which shall neither be increased nor diminished during the period for which he shall have been elected.

9. *And be it enacted*, That there shall be a secretary of state, appointed by the governor, to hold his office during the pleasure of the governor, who shall keep a fair register of all the official acts and proceedings of the governor, and shall, when required, lay the same, and all papers, minutes, and vouchers relative thereto, before the legislature or either branch thereof, and shall perform such other duties as shall be enjoined on him by law, and shall receive such salary or compensation for his services as may be provided by the legislature.

10. *And be it enacted*, That in case of the removal, death, resignation or inability of the governor to discharge the duties and powers of said office, the same shall devolve upon the president of the senate, until another governor shall be elected and qualified as is hereinafter provided, for and in case of the removal, death, resignation or inability of both governor and president of the senate, the legislature may provide by law what officer shall act as governor, until another be elected and qualified, or the disability removed.

11. *And be it enacted*, That in case of the removal of the governor from office, or of his death, resignation, or disqualification, his successor shall be elected at the first election for delegates to the general assembly which shall take place thereafter, and his term of service shall be the same as if no vacancy had occurred.

12. *And be it enacted*, That the first election for governor shall be held at the time of the election of delegates for the general assembly next ensuing the ratification and confirmation of this act.

13. *And be it enacted*, That all the powers and authorities at present exercised by the executive of this state, shall be, and hereby are vested in the governor, except the appointment of chancellor, judges of the courts of common law, attorney general, general, field and general staff officers, who shall be nominated by the governor and approved of by the senate.

14. *And be it enacted*, That the governor, appointed by virtue of this act, or the person authorised to act in his place, shall take the same oaths of office as are now directed to be taken by the governor of this state.

15. *And be it enacted*, That all and every part of the constitution and form of government of this state, which relates to the election of the governor and to the election of the council to the governor, that is in any manner repugnant to or inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed upon the confirmation hereof.

16. *And be it enacted*, That if this act shall be confirmed by the general assembly of Maryland, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directs, that in such case this act and the alterations and amendments of the constitution and form of government herein contained, shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid as a part of the said constitution and form of government to all intents, and purposes any thing in said constitution and form of government to the contrary notwithstanding.

By the house of delegates, 17th day of February, 1826—read and assented to.

By order, JOHN BREWER, Clk.

By the senate, 1st day of March, 1826—read and assented to.

By order, WM. KILTY, Clk.

[L. S.] JOS. KENT, Governor.

IN TALBOT COUNTY COURT,

SITTING ON THE EQUITY SIDE THEREOF,
May Term, 1826.

Ordered by the Court that the sales of the lands made by Edward N. Hambleton, trustee for the sale of the real estate of Allen Bowie, deceased, in the cause of Robert Moore, William Jenkins and others, against Charlotte Bowie, widow, and Ann Bowie, and John Bowie and others, heirs of the said Allen Bowie, and reported by the said Hambleton, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shewn, on or before the second Monday in November, in the year aforesaid; provided a copy of this order be inserted once in each of three successive weeks in one of the newspapers published in Easton, in Talbot county, before the tenth day of July, in the year aforesaid.

RICHARD T. EARLE,
LEMUEL PURNELL.

A True Copy.
Test, J. Loockerman, Clk.
May 27 3w

WANTED

Two hundred bushels of CORN, for which a liberal price will be given. Apply to
June 3. JOSEPH CHAIN.

Public Sale.

By order of the Orphans' Court of Talbot county, will be exposed at Public Sale, in Banbury, on Wednesday the 14th day of June next, all the personal estate of Levin Birckhead, deceased, consisting of Household and Kitchen Furniture, Farming Utensils, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, Corn and Corn Blades, Oats in the straw, Potatoes, coach and gig Harness, Trimmings and Mountings, &c.—Also a new Gig and Sulky, and various other articles too tedious to mention.

Terms of Sale—A credit of six months will be given on all sums of and above four dollars, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale—on all sums under four dollars the cash will be required. Attendance given by

WILLIAM BIRCKHEAD, Adm'r.
of Levin Birckhead, dec'd.

Talbot county, May 27 3w

For Sale,

And may be seen at Mr John Camper's shop, a first rate GIG, allowed by good judges, to be the neatest piece of work ever finished in this place—she is built in complete style, of the latest Philadelphia fashion. Persons disposed to purchase will do well to call early, as it will be offered very low.

May 27 tf EDWARD S. HOPKINS.

Public Sale.

By virtue of three writs of venditioni exponas to me directed against Thos. Wrightson, at the suit of the following persons, to wit: one at the suit of Samuel Tenant, one at the suit of Benjamin Blades, and one at the suit of John M. Wise, use Nathan Harrington, use Rachel L. Kerr, will be sold in the town of St. Michael's, on Saturday the 17th day of June, the following property to wit: One negro girl, called Sophy, taken as the property of said Wrightson; and will be sold to pay and satisfy the above claims.

W. TOWNSEND, Constable.

May 27 3w

For Sale,

OR TO BE EXCHANGED FOR LANDS ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYDAND,

A tract of land situate about five or six miles from the town of Montgomery, in the state of Alabama, containing 640 acres, being part of a well known body of remarkably fine lands, called the "Hickory Levels."

The town of Montgomery is one of the most flourishing in the state, and is the centre of a rapidly improving district, already containing a numerous population, several large steam boats ply regularly to Mobile.—This tract is finely wooded and watered, and the soil of the best quality, and is inclosed on all sides by well settled plantations. A public road to Montgomery touches, or passes through it.

An indisputable title will be made free of every incumbrance.—For further particulars, apply to WM. H. TILGHMAN.

Talbot county, Md. May 20 tf.

For Sale.

I will sell the FARM on which I reside, and which I purchased a few years since of Mr. Loftus Bowdle—This farm is situated in Bailey's Neck, on Third Haven creek, directly opposite the 'Double Mill,' one of the Steam boat Maryland's stopping places—The farm contains about One Hundred and Fifty acres—The soil, in the highest degree, fertile—sources of manure inexhaustible—Fish, oysters, ducks, terrapins, &c. of the first qualities, in their season, and a neighborhood celebrated for hospitality, peace, harmony and friendly intercourse—and for *health* and beauty of situation, this is unrivalled by any on Third-Haven creek. Those desirous of purchasing, will of course, view the premises, which they are invited to do, where the terms and further particulars will be made known by

May 6 tf R. P. EMMONS.

Land for Sale.

The subscriber offers for sale the *FARM* where he lately resided, handsomely situated in Talbot county, about three miles from Easton, and containing about

420 ACRES,

and is as comfortably situated as any in the county, off the salt waters—there is a Brick Dwelling House, Kitchen and Smoke House, together with all the necessary out buildings, which consist of wood; the buildings are not in good repair, at this time—There is about one hundred and twenty acres of wood or timber land, and about twenty acres of good meadow grounds, together with a plenty of marl, and is well watered with never-failing streams, together with as good an assortment of fruit of different kinds as almost any in the county. It can be divided into two farms, one containing about 230 acres, the other about 190, each to have a plenty of timber. I will sell either parcel, or the whole. I deem it unnecessary to say any more about it, as I conclude that no person will purchase without viewing it; the property will be shewn by Mr. Benjamin Kemp, who resides on the premises, and terms made known by the subscriber, near St. Michaels. JAMES DENNY.

Feb. 11

Piano for Sale.

JOHN H. PENINGTON, from Smyrna, has a Piano Forte at Thomas Meconekin's Cabinet Ware-room, in Easton, and invites those who wishes to purchase to call and see it. He has it in his power to furnish several at moderate prices. May 27

NOTICE

Is hereby given to all persons concerned, that I have taken out letters of administration on the personal estate of Francis Wrightson, late of Talbot county, deceased—All persons therefore having claims against the estate of said deceased, are requested to produce them duly authenticated according to law, to Mr. James L. Wrightson, of the county aforesaid, who is authorized by me as my agent to transact all the business of the said administration; and all persons indebted to said estate, are requested to make payment to him without delay.

MARY ANN WRIGHTSON, Admr'x.
June 3. of F. Wrightson, deceased.

EASTON HOTEL.

The subscriber informs his friends and the public, from whom he has for so many years received the most flattering patronage, that he will continue to keep the Easton Hotel—where his customers will be accommodated with the best of every thing in season, afforded by the markets of the place—where they will receive, not only his sincere thanks, but the utmost and most diligent endeavours to please—and an assurance that their past kindness shall stimulate him to still greater exertions. The above establishment is large and very spacious with twenty one lodging rooms

The public's obedient servant,
SOLOMON LOWE.

Easton, Dec. 25

N. B. Horses, Gigs and Hacks can be furnished to any part of the Peninsula at the shortest notice. S. L.

DENTON HOTEL.

The Subscriber informs his friends and the public generally, that he has taken the well known Brick House in Denton, occupied the last year by Mr. Samuel Lucas, where his customers will be accommodated with the best of every thing in season, afforded by the markets of the place, and his own habits of personal attention and those of his family, he can assure the public of the best accommodations in his house. The subscriber has most excellent servants; he has attentive ostlers, he will keep constantly on hand the best liquors that can be had in Baltimore, & his table will be constantly supplied with the best of provisions—Gentlemen and ladies can at all times be furnished with private rooms at the shortest notice—travellers and the public generally are invited to give him a call. The subscriber is provided with rooms to accommodate the court and bar during the session of our Courts. ABRAHAM GRIFFITH.

Feb. 18 tf

Fountain Inn.

The subscriber having taken the *FOUNTAIN INN*, in Easton, Talbot county, respectfully solicits the patronage of the public, in the line of his profession as Innkeeper; he pledges himself to keep good and attentive servants—his house is in complete order, and is now opened for the reception of company, furnished with new beds and furniture—his stables are also in good order, and will always be supplied with the best provender the country will afford. Particular attention will be paid to travelling gentlemen and ladies, who can always be accommodated with private rooms, and the greatest attention paid to their commands. He intends keeping the best liquors of every description.

Boarding on moderate terms, by the week, month or year,

By the Public's Obedient Servant,
RICHARD D. RAY.

Easton, March 25, 1826.

N. B. The subscriber being aware of the pressure of the times, intends regulating his prices accordingly.

NOTICE.

Was committed to the jail of Easton, Talbot county, as a runaway, by James Seth, Esq. a Justice of the Peace in and for Talbot county, a negro man who calls himself GEORGE MONTIGUE, of a yellow complexion, about 30 years of age, and about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, says he belongs to a Mr. William Montigue, who resides about eight miles from Richmond; had on when committed a cotton shirt and a blue mixed pair of pantaloons. This boy has got two letters on each arm, on the right arm G. R. pricked in with ink, on the left arm J. G. pricked in with ink, which he says was done by his young master, William Montigue, says he came off with a certain Joseph Hudson, who sailed a boat called the Nonsuch of Richmond. The owner of the above described negro man, is desired to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, otherwise he will be discharged according to law. THO: HENRIX,
Sheriff of Talbot county.

N. B. Was also arrested in company with the aforesaid negro George, the above named Joseph Hudson, a white man, who absconded from the officer bringing him to jail—circumstances excite suspicion that some unlawful act has been committed by said Hudson and negro George. T. HENRIX.

May 27.

NOTICE.

Was committed to Frederick county jail on the 15th inst. a negro woman, named *Delia Sewell*, about 37 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches high, good countenance, yellow complexion—had on when committed, a blue striped domestic frock. Says she belongs to Mr. Greason or Grisom, of Georgetown, District of Columbia. The owner of the above described negro is requested to prove proverty, pay charges and take her away, otherwise she will be released as directed by the act of assembly of this state.

THOMAS CARLTON, Sheriff.

May 6 8w

NOTICE.

Was committed to Frederick county jail as a runaway, on the 15th instant, a negro girl named *Betsey Kurtches*, 15 years of age, four feet 10 inches high, and very black—She had on when committed a patched brown lindsey frock, yellow silk bonnet, old shoes and stockings, and says she belongs to Burgess Nelson, living between New-Market & Liberty-Town. The owner of the above described negro is requested to prove property, pay charges and take her away, otherwise she will be released as directed by the act of assembly of this state.

THOMAS CARLTON, Shff.

May 6 8w

Negroes for Sale.

It being found necessary to sell the negroes of the late Charles Goldsborough, of Talbot county, deceased, in order to pay his debts—

NOTE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That the said negroes are for sale; among them are several women who are good cooks and house servants, and valuable men accustomed to farming; also some likely Girls.

They will not be sold to a foreigner, or non-resident of the State, or to any person who will not treat them well. For terms apply to

JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH, Agent
for the Admr. of C. G. dec'd.

Easton, Nov. 5

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