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to the said parish as they may think proper, and the money arising from such sales to invest in real or other property, in their discretion, for the use and benefit of the said parish.

Proviso.

III. **Provided nevertheless, and be it enacted,** That the said vestry shall not invest in real estate a greater sum of money arising from such sales than two thousand pounds current money of Maryland.

Lands to be
conveyed,
&c.

IV. **And be it enacted,** That the lands, tenements and other property, which may be purchased by the said vestry in pursuance of this act, shall be conveyed to and vested in the vestry of William and Mary parish, as trustees of the said parish.

C H A P. XLVIII.

Passed De-
cember 30.

An ACT to empower the levy court of Anne-Arundel county to assess a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Anne Welsh, of Anne-Arundel county, by her petition to this general assembly has set forth, that she is, through age and infirmities, rendered incapable of maintaining her daughter Ciney Welsh, (now in her thirtieth year, and an idiot from her birth,) and that her said daughter is not capable of helping herself in any manner, and prays that a law may pass for the support of her daughter out of the poor-house, and the prayer of the said petition appearing reasonable,

Justices to le-
vy money,
&c.

II. **Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,** That the justices of Anne-Arundel county shall be and they are hereby directed and empowered, at their levy courts annually, so long as they may see cause, to assess and levy on said county a sum of money, not exceeding forty dollars, for the support and maintenance of the said Ciney Welsh, daughter of the aforesaid Anne Welsh, and that the same be collected and paid annually to the aforesaid Anne Welsh by the collector or collectors of Anne-Arundel county, agreeable to the order of the levy court aforesaid.

C H A P. XLIX.

Passed De-
cember 30.

An ACT to prevent hogs from going at large at George-town Cross Roads, in Kent county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that sundry persons do raise and keep great number of hogs, and suffer them to go and remain at large, within said village, to the great injury of the inhabitants thereof;

No person to
raise or keep
hogs, &c.

II. **Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,** That after the end of this session of assembly it shall not be lawful for any person or persons whatsoever to raise or keep any hog or hogs within said village, except in enclosures; and if any hog or hogs shall be found going and remaining at large within the said village, it shall and may be lawful for any person to impound the same, and such person shall immediately give notice, by advertisements set up at the most public places in said village, describing the hog or hogs so impounded, and if the owner or owners thereof shall not, within ten days thereafter, prove his or her property therein, and make compensation for the injury, if any, which may have been sustained by any inhabitant of said village, to be ascertained by any two disinterested persons, inhabitants as aforesaid, and shall not pay for each hog so impounded two shillings for every day it shall have been impounded, it may be lawful for the person or persons so impounding as aforesaid to sell or kill the same for his, her or their own use and benefit.

Persons sued
may plead,
&c.

III. **And be it enacted,** That if any person or persons shall be sued and impleaded for killing, destroying or selling, any hog or hogs as aforesaid, the defendant or defendants may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence; and if the plaintiff shall be nonsuit, or discontinue his