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OF THE

STATE OF DELAWARE,

PASSED AT

A SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

COMMENCED AND HELD AT DOVER,

ON TUESDAY THE THIRD DAY OF JANUARY,

IN THE YEAR OF OUR

LORD, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVEN,

AND OF THE

INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

THE SIXTY-FIRST.

BY AUTHORITY.

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same effect as originals. and copies of the said transcripts, being duly certified, shall be received in evidence in all courts of law and equity, in the same manner, and as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes, as copies duly certified of the original records might or could be.

Commissioners to take and subscribe oath or affirmation. **SECTION 3.** *And be it further enacted,* That the said commissioners, before entering upon the duties hereby assigned them, shall severally take and subscribe, before some judge or justice of the peace in said county, an oath or affirmation, faithfully and diligently to perform the duties required of them by this act.

Acts of two commissioners shall be valid. Their compensation. **SECTION 4.** *And be it further enacted,* That the acts of any two of the said commissioners shall be as valid as the acts of all three of them. And they shall receive the sum of two dollars each for every day they shall be engaged in the performance of the duties aforesaid, with such mileage as is by law allowed to members of the Levy-court.

How paid. **SECTION 5.** *And be it further enacted,* That the said compensation to said commissioners and mileage, and also all such costs and expenses incurred in such transcribing, re-binding and making new indexes and effecting the objects of this act, as shall be allowed by said Levy-court, shall be paid by orders to be drawn on the treasurer of said county.

Passed at Dover, February 20, 1837.

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CHAPTER CXXIII.

AN ACT *to prevent the discharge of fire-arms in the village of Camden, Kent county, and for other purposes therein mentioned.*

For discharging gun, etc., lighting bon-fire, firing crackers, etc., etc. within a quarter of a mile of Camden. **SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met,* That if any person or persons shall presume to fire or discharge any gun, ordnance, musket, fowling-piece, fusee or pistol, light or keep up any bon-fire or bon-fires, fire off any cracker or crackers, squib or squibs, or throw any fire-ball or balls, or any rocket or rockets, or make or erect any kind of fire-works whatever, within one-quarter of a mile of the centre of the village of Camden, or shall fire or discharge any gun, ordnance, musket, fowling-piece, fusee or pistol, light or keep up any bon-fire or bon-fires, fire off any cracker or crackers, squib or squibs, throw any fire-ball or balls, or any rocket or rockets, or make or erect any kind of fire-works whatever, within or on any of the streets, alleys or lanes of the said village of Camden, whereon any buildings are or may be erected, shall be fined or punished as hereinafter mentioned.

Penalty on white person, etc. **SECTION 2.** And if any free white person or persons, or the child or children, ward or wards of any such person or persons, shall fire or discharge any gun, ordnance, musket, fowling-piece, fusee

or pistol, light or keep up any bon-fire or bon-fires, fire off any cracker or crackers, squib or squibs, throw any fire-ball or balls, any rocket or rockets, or make or erect any kind of fire-works whatever, at any of the places or limits aforesaid, every such person or persons, so offending, or whose child or children, ward or wards shall so offend, shall forfeit and pay, for every such offence, any sum not exceeding five dollars, nor less than one dollar, to be recovered from the person or persons, or from the parent or guardian of such child or children, ward or wards, before any justice of the peace in this county, on his own view, or on the oath or affirmation of one or more credible witness, to be recovered as debts under fifty dollars are recovered by the laws of this State.

SECTION 3. *And be it enacted*, That if any free negro or mulatto, or the child or children of any such free negro or mulatto, or any manumitted negro or mulatto, or any servant or servants, slave or slaves, apprentice or apprentices of any person or persons whatsoever shall fire or discharge any gun, ordnance, musket, fusee, fowling-piece or pistol, light or keep up any bon-fire or bon-fires, fire off any cracker or crackers, squib or squibs, throw any fire-ball or balls, rocket or rockets, make or erect any kind of fire-works whatever, within the limits or places herein-before described and be thereof convicted, by the view of any one justice of the peace of said county, or on the oath or affirmation of one or more credible witness, every person so offending, shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding five dollars, nor less than one dollar, together with the costs of prosecution, any law, custom or usage in this State to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided nevertheless*, that in all and every case, when the money is not immediately paid into the hands of the justice of the peace, before whom such conviction is had, it shall and may be lawful, and the said justice is hereby directed to commit such person or persons to the gaol of said county, and there to remain for the space of one month, unless such fine and costs shall be sooner paid.

SECTION 4. *And be it enacted*, That all fines and forfeitures under this act shall be for the use of the poor of said county, and to be paid to the treasurer thereof.

Fines, &c., under this act, to be for the use of the poor.

Passed at Dover. February 20, 1837.

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CHAPTER CXXIV.

A SUPPLEMENT to the acts passed at Dover February 15th 1814, and January 30th 1813, authorizing the appointment of trustees, to secure the rents of lands and the marsh on Cape Henlopen and preventing trespasses being committed on said Cape. Dig. 589, 125.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met*, That the Superior court of Sussex county shall, at their next session, and at holders, Sup. court to appoint free-holders, &c.