

the residue of the year ; and the person obtaining such permit shall enter into recognizance before the two justices, similar to the recognizance herein before directed to be taken by the court.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That nothing in this act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prohibit the county courts, as heretofore practised, from agreeing with persons to keep ferries, but in such case they shall take recognizance, and ascertain the prices to be taken by the person keeping such ferry, in the same manner as herein before directed.

Not to prohibit courts from agreeing, &c.

By 1791, ch. 65, the county courts have power to contract for keeping ferries at the county expense.

By 1815, ch. 72, county courts may impose a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars on ferrymen for the neglect of duty. Continued by 1798 to 30th October 1805, and then by the annual continuance act.

APRIL, 1782.—CHAPTER 19.

AN ACT concerning forfeited land, which may be entailed with limitations over in reversion or remainder.

See note to 1780, ch. 45.

CHAPTER 31.

A SUPPLEMENT to the * act to regulate Public Ferries.

*Nov. 1781, ch. 22. Preamble.

WHEREAS, many persons may, between the sitting of the several county courts in this state, be desirous to keep public ferries: And whereas no provision is made, nor any power given to the justices in that case;

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That on the application of any person desirous to keep a public ferry, at any place within this state where ferries have heretofore been usually kept, any two justices of the peace may, between the sitting of the county court, appoint such person to keep ferry until the next county court, agreeable to the act for regulating public ferries; and any person obtaining such permit shall enter into recognizance before the two justices aforesaid, similar to the recognizance directed by the above recited act.

Justices may appoint, &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That when and as often as any person shall apply to the justices of any county court for a license to keep a public ferry, and shall offer two good and sufficient securities, the said justices may and shall grant a license to such person to keep ferry, notwithstanding the said court may have, previous to such application, granted license or licenses to other persons to keep ferry at the same place.

And grant license, &c.

For the several continuances see the note under the principal act.