

after any road or way shall be surveyed and laid out agreeably to this act, the court shall direct the application for such road and the return thereof to be recorded, and the court shall determine the compensation to be made to the owner or owners of the land through which such road or way shall pass, which compensation shall be paid by the person or persons applying for such road or way, and thereafter and thereupon such road shall be considered as the private way, and the same shall be kept open and repaired at the expence of such person as shall use the same, and it shall not be lawful for any person to stop up, or change, or in any manner obstruct such private road or way, under the penalty of five pounds current money for every offence. Provided always, that no such road shall be made through any garden, yard, orchard, or meadow; and provided also, that any person apprehending himself grieved by the determination of the county court in granting or refusing to grant any way or road, or in any matter in consequence of this act, may appeal to the general court, whose determination shall be final.

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An ACT for altering the time of holding the courts in the counties therein mentioned. Passed Mar. 8.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the holding the courts in the counties of Dorchester, Caroline and Worcester, at the time directed by law, is found inconvenient, Preamble,

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That for the future the county court for Dorchester county, shall be held on the Monday before the second Tuesday in the months of March, June, and October, yearly; for Caroline county on the Monday before the third Tuesday in the months of March, June and October; and for Worcester county on the Monday before the first Tuesday in the months of March, June and November, yearly; and that all actions, process and proceedings, as well criminal as civil, which are depending and undetermined in the said county courts, or returnable to the second, third and first Tuesday in March next, shall be returned, judged and taken, to be in the same situation, state and condition, on the Monday before the second, third and first Tuesdays of March next, as they would be on the said second, third and first Tuesdays in March next; and the justices of the said county courts for the time being, may, on the Monday before the second, third and first Tuesdays of March next, proceed to the hearing and determining of all actions, pleas and proceedings respectively, as the case may require, as fully and effectually, to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, as the justices of the said county courts could or might lawfully do on the second, third and first Tuesdays of March next, any law, usage or custom to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. When courts are to be held, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That the particular business directed by any act of assembly heretofore made, to be done at October court, in the county of Worcester, shall hereafter be done and transacted at the November court, any law heretofore made to the contrary notwithstanding. Business in Worcester to be done at Nov. court, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That the orphans court, appointed by law to be held on the second Tuesday in October for Dorchester county, shall for the future be held on the first Tuesday in said month, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. When orphans courts in Dorchester,

XV. And be it enacted, That the orphans courts for Worcester county, shall, for the future, be held on the Friday next after the second Tuesdays in **Q** And Worcester counties are to be held, &c. in