

C H A P. XVI.

Passed 15th of January, 1808.

An ACT authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of building a bridge across the river Monocacy, in Frederick county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, that they have experienced great and manifold delays and inconveniencies in conveying to the city of Baltimore the produce of their farms, by reason of their being unable to cross, at certain seasons, the river Monocacy, between Creager's-town and Woodsborough, on the main road leading from Washington county, through these towns and Liberty-town, to Baltimore, and praying that a law may pass authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of building a bridge across said river; therefore,

A scheme may be proposed, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for Benjamin Blackford, Michael Myers, Frederick C. Hass, Bernard Gilbert, Abraham Crapster, Conrad Shafer, Elie Philips and Frederick Eichelberger, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme of a lottery for raising a sum of money, not exceeding five thousand dollars, and sell and dispose of the tickets in said lottery, and they are hereby authorised to draw said lottery; provided, that the said Benjamin Blackford, Michael Myers, Frederick C. Hass, Bernard Gilbert, Abraham Crapster, Conrad Shafer, Elie Philips and Frederick Eichelberger, or such majority of them as shall undertake to act under this law, shall, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of twenty thousand dollars, conditioned, that they will well and truly apply so much money arising therefrom, within twelve months after the drawing of said lottery shall commence, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expenses incurred in said lottery, shall, within two years from the time the drawing said lottery shall commence, apply the money raised by said lottery for the purpose of building the bridge aforesaid.

Bond to be lodged, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of the said commissioners, or a majority of them, before they act as such, to lodge the bond made, and entered into as aforesaid, in the office of the clerk of Frederick county court, there to be recorded, and upon such bond, or any office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted against the obligors therein mentioned, or any of them, or their legal representatives, for any breach or non-compliance with the condition of the same.

C H A P. XVII.

Passed 15th of January, 1808.

An ACT authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing the steeple of Saint-John's church in Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, and for other purposes.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Washington county, that they commenced building a church in Elizabeth-town, in Washington county aforesaid, and that they have finished the said church, except a part of the steeple, but in going thus far with it they have contracted a debt which, with the sum necessary for finishing the said steeple, will amount to two thousand dollars, and praying that a law may pass authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose aforesaid; and the prayer thereof appearing reasonable, therefore,

A scheme may be proposed, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for George Nigh, Jacob Young, George Schenk, Frederick Otter, Peter Miller, (hatter,) Anthony Hower and John Kausler, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery for raising a sum of money, not exceeding two thousand dollars, and sell and dispose of the tickets in said lottery, and they are hereby authorised to draw said lottery; provided, that the said George Nigh, Jacob Young, George Schenk, Frederick Alter, Peter Miller, (hatter,) Anthony Hower and John Kausler, or such majority of them as shall undertake to act under this law, shall, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of eight thousand dollars, conditioned, that they will well and truly apply so much money arising therefrom, within six months after the drawing of said lottery, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expenses incurred in said lottery, shall, within one year from the time of the drawing of said lottery, apply the money raised by such lottery for the purposes aforesaid.