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thereafter, and shall be kept up and repaired as all other public Dec Ses. 1816. wharfs in said county are ; Provided, that nothing herein con- Proviso. tained shall in any manner authorise the said commissioners to lay out the said wharf and lumber yard through the buildings, garden, orchard or yard, of any person or persons, without his, her, or their consent.

4. And be it enacted, That the persons interested in laying out Persons interthe said wharf and lumber yard, shall pay to the commissioners ested to pay the reasonable expenses for surveying and laying out the said ground for a public wharf and lumber yard, and making out and returning the said plot.

CHAPTER 258.

An act for the benefit of Lawson Alexander, and the Re- Passed Feb. 5.

presentatives of the late Reverend Joseph Cowden.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, Commission-That the judges of Cæcil county, or any two of them, be and ers to be apare hereby authorised and empowered, to appoint three disinte-pointed to rested persons of sound judgment, as commissioners, to value land. rested persons of sound judgment, as commissioners, to value that part of a tract or parcel of land called Catto's Range, which was sold to the Reverend Joseph Cowden, late of said county, deceased, as confiscated property, by the commissioners of this state, when in fact the same was the right and estate of Lawson

2. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners so to be ap- Oathpointed as aforesaid, shall, after taking an oath before some justice of the peace of said county, (or affirmation as the case may be) truly and fairly to value the same, proceed to examine the said parcel of land so as aforesaid sold, and upon such examination make a return of the value thereof to the said court, under their hands and seals.

3. And be it enacted, That if upon the return of said valuation, Oncertain conso to be made as aforesaid, the said Lawson Alexander shall, by to draw on a good and sufficient deed, release all his right and title to the treasurer, &c. said parcel of land to the said representatives of the said Joseph Cowden, or their assigns, that then and in that case the said judges, or any two of them, shall be and are hereby authorised and empowered, to draw on the treasurer of the western shore in favour of the said Lawson Alexander, for the amount thus estimated as the value of the said land, together with the costs incurred by the plaintiff and defendant in the prosecution of the suit now depending in Cacil county court, and the said treasurer is hereby authorised and required, upon the presentment of said draft, to pay the amount thereof to the said Lawson Alexander, or his order, he securing to the representatives of said Joseph Cowden their proportion of said cost of suit.

CHAPTER 259.

An act for the encouragement of Literature.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, 50,000 dollars That for the increase of the school fund of this state, there shall a year to be That for the increase of the school fund of this state, there shall raised by lot-be raised by lottery the sum of fifty thousand dollars a year, for tery. five successive years, if practicable.