

C H A P. III. knows or believes that the distances mentioned in the certificate were actually run, and that no more land is contained by the lines and boundaries than returned by the surveyor," be and are hereby repealed.

C H A P. IV.

Passed December 6.

A Supplement to the act for laying out roads from Snell's bridge and Green's bridge, on Patuxent, to the bridge over Patapsco falls, near Ellicott's lower mills.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the mode prescribed by the said act to ascertain and value the damages to be sustained by persons through whose lands the said roads might pass, by occasion thereof, has been found to be inconvenient, and not to answer the valuable purposes intended by said act;

Commissioners to ascertain damages, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners appointed by the said act, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by persons through whose lands the said roads may pass, by occasion thereof; and in case any proprietor or proprietors, or their guardian or trustee, shall conceive themselves aggrieved by the valuation of the commissioners of the damages to be sustained by opening the said road through their land, that it shall and may be lawful for the said commissioners, or any two of them, on application for that purpose by any person interested, to issue their warrant, under hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, commanding him to summon twenty-four persons, qualified by law to be of the petit jury of the said county, to appear on a day, by them to be appointed, on the land through which the said road may be proposed to be carried, and of the persons so summoned the said commissioners and the party interested shall alternately strike out one, until the number twelve shall remain, and the said twelve persons so remaining shall be the jury, and shall take an oath or affirmation, truly and impartially to estimate the damages of the party according to the direction of this act, and the best of their judgment; and the said jurors, or any number not less than nine of them, shall, on their oath aforesaid, estimate and value the said damages, and make return thereof to the said commissioners, and to the party interested; and that, in estimating the said damages, the said persons shall take into consideration the advantages and disadvantages to be derived to the party interested from having the said road carried through his lands as may be proposed, which valuation, so made and returned, shall be conclusive, and the party or parties in whose favour the said valuation shall be made, shall be entitled to receive the same from the said commissioners, and which shall be paid by the said commissioners within six months after the said valuation, any valuation before made under the said act notwithstanding.

C H A P. V.

Passed December 10.

An ACT to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly.

Penalty on members not attending, &c.

BE it enacted, *by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That if any member of the senate or house of delegates, or any person who may hereafter be elected a member of the senate or house of delegates, shall neglect to appear in the house of which he now is, or hereafter shall be elected a member, or shall neglect to send a written resignation, on the day appointed for the meeting of the general assembly, or after appearance shall absent himself without leave, such person shall forfeit and pay twenty shillings current money for every day during the session he shall neglect to appear, or send such resignation as aforesaid, unless prevented by sickness, or such cause as may be deemed a sufficient excuse by a joint committee of both houses, to be appointed as herein after directed.

Committee to be appointed, &c.

II. *And be it enacted,* That the said joint committee shall consist of three members of the senate and three members of the house of delegates, to be appointed by ballot for the purpose aforesaid, by the house of which they are respectively members, on the second Wednesday of every session.

III. *And*