LAWS OF MARYLAND.

C H A P. XI.

Passed 19th of Dec. 1800.

1800.

A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of fundry infolvent debtors.

On certificate, &c. chancellor to proceed, &c.

DE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in case any judge, associate justice or justice of the peace, shall certify to the chancellor, by writing under his hand and feal, that any person whose name is mentioned in the said act did, on a certain day, which shall be subsequent to the faid persons application to the chancellor for the benefit of the faid act, before him, the faid. judge or justice, take, repeat and subscribe, the oath or affirmation prescribed by the second section of the aforefaid act for delivering up his property, and shall also return to the chancellor the oath or affirmation fo taken, repeated and subscribed, the chancellor shall thereupon have authority, at his discretion, and under special circumstances rendering it impracticable or greatly inconvenient for the faid infolvent person to appear before the chancellor on the day appointed for his appearance, to proceed in the same manner as if the said person had appeared before the chancellor on the said day appointed, and had taken, in the presence of his creditors, the said oath or affirmation; but nothing in this act contained shall be construed so as to deprive the creditors of any insolvent debtor of the right of appearing before the chancellor on the faid day appointed, and he recommending a trustee for their benefit, or to dispense with the said insolvents presence before the chancellor to answer any interrogatories proposed by his creditors, agreeably to the provisions of the aforesaid original act. except that of allowing an infolvent, under special circumstances, at the chancellor's discretion, to take the oath or affirmation for delivering up his property before a judge or justice as aforesaid instead of taking the same before the chancellor, in the presence of his creditors.

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An ACT to refurvey and lay out anew Princess-Anne-town, in Somerset county, and for other purposes.

Preamble.

THEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the plot of the said town, made by virtue of an act of affembly paffed for the purpose of laying out the same, cannot be found; and the boundaries and limits of the freets, lanes and alleys, as well as many of the lots thereof, are unknown, whereby the titles of the proprietors thereof are precarious and uncertain, and it is prayed that the fame may be laid out anew, which appears to this general affembly to be reasonable. and proper;

Commissioners

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Peter Waters, captain William appointed, &c. Cottman, John Stewart, Samuel Smith and John Dashiell, senior, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, who shall, on or before the first day May, eighteen hundred and one, meet at Prince's-Anne-town aforefaid, and having fo met, the faid commissioners, or any three of them, shall have full and ample power and authority to direct the surveyor of Somerset county, or any other person whom they shall think proper to appoint, to survey the said town, and the several lots therein, and make out an exact plot thereof, and shall ascertain and limit the extent of the lots, streets, lanes and alleys thereof, most agreeably to their original location, according to the best evidence that can be obtained, with power to adjourn from day to day until they have completed the faid location.

Who may iffue fummonies,

III. BE IT ENACTED, That the faid commissioners, or any three of them, are hereby authorised and required, having first given twenty days notice of the time and place of their meeting, by public advertisement, to issue summonses for such person or persons as may be applied for by any of the proprietors aforefaid, which faid witnesses are hereby required to attend, under the penalty of five dollars for every neglect or refufal, and to examine them upon their corporal oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, touching and concerning their knowledge of the bounds, limits and extent, of any of the lots, streets, lanes and alleys of the faid town, and to establish the same accordingly; and each witness attending under any summons issued as aforesaid shall be entitled to level shillings and fix-pence for every day he shall so attend.

Proprietors to provide boundaries, &c.

IV. BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of the proprietors of the lots, or any part of a lot, in the faid town, to provide boundary posts or stones, and to have them marked and fet up at the termination of the line or lines of their respective lots, in the presence of the said commissioners, or a majority of them, which shall thereafter be deemed and taken to be the true bounds of the faid lots, or any of them.