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XXXIV.

such father, or either of his securities, his or their, or either of their heirs, executors or administrators, for the use or maintenance of such child, more than credit given, to issue an order, requiring such father, his security or securities, his or their heirs, executors or administrators, to pay to the mother, or other person who shall have the custody of the said child, such a sum of money as may appear adequate for the maintenance of such child, not exceeding thirty dollars *per annum*, until the said child shall arrive to the age of seven years; and upon proof of the service of such order upon the person or persons to whom the same might have been directed, and demand of payment thereof, and that the money thereon due is unpaid, the clerk of the county court in which the recognizance of such father may be filed, is hereby authorized and empowered forthwith to issue a *scire facias* on such recognizance, for the use of such mother, or other person entitled as aforesaid, and thereupon such proceedings shall be had as shall bring the matter in dispute fairly to trial at the next term thereafter, without any importance or delay.

C H A P. XXXV.

Passed De-
cember 30.

An ACT respecting two tracts of land lying in Allegany county, the one called Grassy Cabin, the other called the Desert.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the equitable estate in fee-simple in the aforesaid two tracts of land is vested in John Ridout, of the city of Annapolis, his heirs and assigns, and information hath been given to the agent of this state that the same were liable to confiscation, because the legal title thereto is vested in the heirs of a certain Thomas Bassett: And whereas Josias Wilson King, the informant, hath agreed to and is willing and desirous that the same should be vested in fee in John Ridout, his heirs and assigns, exonerated and discharged of any claim of the state of Maryland thereto,

Right re-
leased, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the state of Maryland doth hereby release to the said John Ridout, his heirs and assigns, all right, title, interest and claim, (if any,) that the said state hath or may have in and to both and either of two tracts of land, the one called Grassy Cabin, the other called the Desert, heretofore granted to Thomas Bassett, lying then in Frederick, but now in Allegany county.

C H A P. XXXVI.

Passed De-
cember 30.

An ACT to lay out a road from Deep Point, in Cornwallis's Neck, in Charles county, until it shall intersect the public road at the New House on the head of Mattawoman creek, in said county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS sundry inhabitants of Charles county, by their petition to this general assembly have set forth, that they sustain great inconvenience for the want of a public road leading from Deep Point, in Cornwallis's Neck, until it shall intersect the public road at a place known by the name of the New House, on the head of Mattawoman creek, in said county, and have prayed that a road may be laid out in said direction; and the prayer thereof appearing reasonable; therefore,

Commission-
ers appointed,
&c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Thomas M. Dent, James Fenwick, Robert D. Simms, Walter Jameston and Edward J. Pye, or any three of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to survey, lay out and open, at the expence of the petitioners, a road, not exceeding thirty feet in width clear of ditches, from Deep Point, in Cornwallis's Neck, in Charles county, until it shall intersect the public road at a place known by the name of the New House, on the head of Mattawoman creek, in said county, in the discretion which will best suit the situation of the ground; and a plot of the said road, when so surveyed and laid out, shall be returned to Charles county court, to be recorded, and shall for ever thereafter be deemed and taken to be a public highway, and repaired and improved in the same manner as other public roads in the said county.

III. And