and in such case all and every of the powers hereby vested in the said commissioners, or a majority of them, for opening said canal, and all powers heretofore in any manner vested in any other persons by virtue of the aforesaid act, entitled, An act to empower the commissioners of Baltimore-town to make a correct survey of the said town, and for other purposes therein mentioned, so far as the same relate to the said canal, shall cease and be at an end.

C H A P. XLVI.

An ACT to correct a misnomer in an act, entitled, An act concerning the bank stock.

WHEREAS by an act of the general assembly of this state, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-one, entitled, An act concerning the bank stock, it is, amongst other things, provided, that Samuel Chase, Esquire, the agent and trustee of this state for the recovery of the stock of the bank of England belonging to this state, on obtaining a decree in the chancery court of Great-Britain for the said stock, and an assignment and transfer thereof from the accountant-general of the said court of chancery, and for payment of any money in the hands of the said accountant-general, or in the hands of Sylvanus Grove, late and only surviving trustee of the said stock, and not invested in the purchase of stock, should be authorised and directed to assign, transfer and pay, all bank stock and money by him received, after deducting his commission therefrom, unto Sir James Herries, William Murdock, Joshua Johnson and Horatio Clagett, of the city of London, merchants, who were thereby appointed trustees on behalf of this state to receive from the said agent the said transfer and payment, and they were thereby authorised and required to receive the dividends arising on the said stock, and invest them from time to time in the purchase of more stock, and to return an annual account of their proceedings to the governor of this state, and to act and do certain other things in the premises: And whereas it was the intention of the general assembly to delegate said powers to a certain Sir Robert Herries, instead of Sir James Herries, above named;

II. **Be it enacted**, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all powers, authority and trust, by the above in part recited act delegated or committed to the said Sir James Herries, be and the same revoked, annulled and made void; and that Sir Robert Herries, of the city of London, merchant, henceforth have, possess and enjoy, all the power, authority and trust, by the aforesaid act given to the said Sir James Herries, in as full and ample a degree as if the name of the said Sir Robert Herries had been inserted in the said act in lieu and place of the name of Sir James Herries, any thing in said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

C H A P. XLVII.

An ACT to authorise and empower the vestry of William and Mary parish, in Charles county, to sell and dispose of the negroes belonging to said parish, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS the rector, vestrymen, churchwardens, and the other inhabitants of William and Mary parish, in Charles county, by their petition to this general assembly have represented, that there are belonging to the said parish a number of negroes, many of whom are unfit for labour, and are expensive to the said parish, and have prayed that a law may pass to authorise and empower the vestry of the said parish to dispose of all or so many of the said negroes as they may think proper; and it appearing to this general assembly that the prayer of the said petitioners ought to be granted,

II. **Be it enacted**, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall and may be lawful for the vestry of William and Mary parish, in Charles county, and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to sell and dispose of, by private or at public sale, upon a credit or for ready money as they may judge most conducive to the interest of the said parish, all or so many of the negroes belonging