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and after having taken an oath before one of the aldermen of the corporation of George-town, well and truly to execute the trust reposed in them by this act without prejudice, favour or partiality, to cause a correct survey to be made of one, two, three, four, five, six, seven and eight-streets, in Beatty and Hawkin's addition to George-town, having regard to the original design; and to establish and fix permanent boundaries, to cause a correct plot and certificate of the same, with proper explanations, to be returned to the clerk of the territory of Columbia, under their hands and seals, who is hereby required to receive and record the same.

Who may demand books, &c.

III. And be it further enacted, That the said commissioners shall have full power and authority to ask, demand and receive, of William Deakins, junior, and Charles Beatty, all books and papers they may have in their possession relating to the drawing of said lottery, the disposing of the lots, and the laying out of said addition; and they the said Deakins and Beatty are hereby required to deliver the same to them without delay, and to have such of them as the said commissioners may think proper recorded among the records of the territory of Columbia.

Which shall be good evidence, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That the said books and papers relating to the drawing of the lottery, and the original laying out of said addition, as well as those relating to the survey hereby directed to be made, when so recorded, or any attested copy of said records, under the hand and seal of the clerk, shall be good evidence of the same, or any part thereof, in any court of law or equity in this state.

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V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in case any building or improvement shall interfere with or stand on any street, lane or alley, of said addition to George-town, according to the original location thereof, which shall by virtue of this law be thrown into any street, lane or alley, the same shall not be deemed a nuisance, but may stand and be occupied by the present owner or owners, but shall not be rebuilt or repaired.

How vacancies are to be filled.

VI. Be it enacted, That the mayor's court of George-town be and the same is hereby vested with full power and authority to fill any vacancy that may happen by death, resignation or otherwise, in the board of commissioners aforesaid.

Court may fill a vacancy, &c.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said mayor's court be and the same is hereby vested with full power and authority to fill the vacancy that has happened in the board of commissioners mentioned in the act, entitled, An to open a road from George-town to a bridge to be erected over the river Patowmack, at or near the Little Falls, by the death of Thomas Clarke, therein named, and to fill any vacancies that may hereafter happen by death, resignation or otherwise.

Expence to be paid.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the expence arising from the execution of this act shall be paid by the petitioner.

C H A P. LV.

Passed December 31.

An ACT for building a record-office, and securing and transcribing certain records and papers, in Baltimore county, and rebuilding two bridges over Jones's Falls, in Baltimore-town, in said county.

Commissioners appointed, &c.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That William Gibson, William Buchanan, (of George,) and Thomas Worthington, or any two of them, shall be and are hereby authorized and empowered to contract and agree with any person or persons in Baltimore county to erect and build a record-office on the public ground in Baltimore-town, sufficiently large for receiving and securing the public records and papers now in the office of the register of wills and clerk of the said county; and immediately upon the completion