

shillings, in Somerset county a sum not exceeding two shillings, in Cecil county a sum not exceeding six shillings, in Kent county a sum not exceeding three shillings and six-pence, on every hundred pounds of assessable property in said counties; and the justices of the peace for Anne Arundel and Washington counties, shall in the same manner levy on their respective counties a sum of money as follows, viz: In Anne Arundel county a sum not exceeding four shillings, and in Washington county a sum not exceeding seven shillings and six-pence, in every hundred pounds of assessable property in said counties, the same to be laid out, expended and appropriated, as by said original act, and this supplement, is directed.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the justices of the levy court of Washington county, or a majority of them, at their annual meeting, shall have full power and authority to appropriate all the moneys raised by virtue of this or any former act, and which is not already expended on any of the public roads in the said county, in such manner and on such public roads in the said county as they in their judgment shall think proper, any thing in the act to which this is a supplement, and the act, entitled, an act to straighten and amend the several public roads in several counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety,\* to the contrary notwithstanding. Justices to appropriate money, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the justices of the levy court in the respective counties of Baltimore, Talbot, Somerset, Cecil, Prince George's, Frederick, Montgomery, Kent, Anne Arundel and Washington, shall have full power to contract with any person or persons for the opening or clearing any road hereafter laid out, or to be laid out, in their respective counties, and for the improving and keeping in repair any road, or such part thereof, and for such length of time during the existence of this law, as in their judgment shall seem most advisable, and for the interest of the county; and where any person or persons shall contract for the keeping in repair of any public road in virtue of this act, and shall neglect to keep the same in such repair as it is the duty of the supervisors by law to do, then such person or persons so contracting shall be subject to the same penalty as supervisors of public roads in like cases now are, to be recovered and applied in the same manner; and every person or persons so contracting with the justices of the levy court in any county of this state, shall give bond to the state of Maryland, with such security as the justices of the levy court shall approve of, and in such sum or penalty as they shall require, for the performance of such contract, and such contractors shall have and exercise all the powers which supervisors of public roads now have or may or can exercise in virtue of the act to which this is a supplement. And to contract, &c.

\* Ch. 32.