and every hundred in the county aforesaid, shall have power to require the labour of all and singular the able-bodied male inhabitants, residing in his hundred, above the age of eighteen and under the age of fifty years, in such proportions as the state of the roads may require, not exceeding one-fourth of the hands in any one family, at any one time, except in families where there are less than four hands, giving always at least two days notice to the person or persons so required to labour.

Labour.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That all and every person or persons, so called on, shall be, and they are hereby required to labour, or to provide a sufficient substitute to labour on the public roads as aforesaid, not less than one day nor more than two days in each and every year.

Penalty.

Proviso.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That any person or persons who shall refuse or neglect to labour, or to furnish a sufficient substitute to labour on the public roads aforesaid, shall pay to the overseer of his hundred the sum of seventy-five cents for each and every day so refusing or neglecting; Provided, he or they shall pay the said sum within ten days after having been demanded by the said overseer, otherwise the overseer as aforesaid, shall be authorized to demand the sum of one dollar and fifty cents of all such persons so neglecting or refusing; to be recovered in the manner prescribed by the act to which this is a further additional supplement, and to be applied by said overseer to the repairs of the aforesaid roads in his hundred.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That the said overseers shall once in every year render an account of all fines and forfeitures received by them in virtue of this act, stating the full amount received, and how applied in mending and repairing the several and respective roads aforesaid, to the justices of the levy court, upon oath or affirmation.

Account.

An Act to authorize and empower the Levy Courts of the several Counties therein mentioned, to alter, open, and shut up, Roads in their respective Counties.—1829, ch. 234.

Levy court authorized.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy courts or commissioners, as the case may be, of Charles, Caroline, Washington and Calvert counties, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to alter, open and shut up, any public road in said counties; and to have full power and cognizance, in every respect, in relation to establishing, altering, opening, or shutting up, any public road or roads in said counties, and to levy money for said purpose, or assess damages, as to them shall seem meet and equitable.

Notice required.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That when, in the opinion of said court, either of their own knowledge, or upon representation of any third person or persons, it may become necessary to