

ty, the other half to him or them who shall sue for the same, to be recovered in like manner as other fines and forfeitures. CHAP. 50.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That nothing in this act shall be construed to hinder any ordinary keeper or licensed retailer, from selling liquors and other things in their respective dwelling-houses or stores. Not to hinder ordinary keepers from selling liquors.

CHAP. LI.

An Act to establish a Bank, and incorporate a Company, under the name of The Elkton Bank of Maryland. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 477. Passed Dec 23

Supplements, 1811, ch. 163; 1815, ch. 148; 1816 ch. 39.

WHEREAS it is the opinion of this general assembly that the agricultural, commercial and manufacturing interests of this state, will be promoted by the establishment of a bank at Elkton, in Cecil county; therefore, Preamble.

2 BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a bank, to be called and known by the name of The Elkton Bank of Maryland, shall be established in the town of Elkton, in Cecil county. Bank to be established.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED. That the capital stock of this bank shall consist of three hundred thousand dollars, money of the United States, divided into six thousand shares of fifty dollars each, two thousand shares thereof shall be reserved for the use and benefit of the state, to be subscribed for in such manner as the legislature may direct. Capital.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That books for the subscription of the said stock shall be opened at Elkton. and at such other places in the county as may be deemed advisable, by the commissioners herein after named, or any five or more of them, on a day to be appointed for that purpose, and by them notified in the most public places in the county, at least six weeks previous thereto, and the commissioners who shall meet on the day so appointed for receiving the said subscriptions, shall cause the said books to be opened, at the place or places agreed upon, at ten o'clock in the morning and continue the same open until five o'clock in the afternoon, and if the subscriptions shall exceed the number reserved for the use and benefit of the county, then the said commissioners are hereby authorised and directed, so to apportion the shares subscribed among the several subscribers, by proportional reduction, as may reduce the whole to the number to be subscribed for, but if the said subscriptions shall not be filled up on the first day, the said commissioners shall have power to adjourn from day to day until the whole number of shares shall be subscribed for; and at any time after the first day, when the said subscriptions shall be complete, it shall be the duty of the said commissioners immediately to close the books, and those only who have actually subscribed previous thereto, shall be entitled to the said stock; and it shall be the duty of Thomas W. Veazey, William Ward, Joseph Couden, John Maslin, John Thomson, Adam Whann, Frisby Henderson, William Alexander, James Sewall, Levi Tyson, Thomas Howard, Daniel Sheredine, William Howell, Samuel Hogg, Littleton Gale, Richard Simpson, Joseph Harlin, John Nowland, David Cummings, John Creswell and James L. Porter, or any five or more of them, to conduct every operation of the proposed institution until they shall be superseded by the appointment of directors. Book to be opened for subscriptions.