CHAP. XVI.

An Act for the relief of Joseph Forman. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 15.

A Supplement, ch. 19. See note under 1800, ch. 44.

A Supplement to an act, \* entitled, An act to establish and regulate a Passed Dec. 31. Market in Charles-Town, in Charles County, and to prevent persons from suffering Goats, Hogs and Geese, to go at large in said

Town. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 18. 1. BB IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That No goat to go at from and after the first day of April next, no goat, hog or goose, large.

belonging to any inhabitant of the said town, shall be suffered to go at large in Charles-town, in Charles county; and if any person shall find any goat, hog or goose, going at large in Charles-town aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for such person to kill, or cause to be killed, such goat, hog or goose.

2. AND HE IT ENACTED, That if any person shall be sued for General issue may killing any goat, hog or goose, in Charles-town aforesaid, such person may plead the general issue, and give this act and the spe-

cial matter in evidence. 3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the tenth section of the act to Section repealed. which this is a supplement be and the same is hereby repealed.

## CHAP. XVIII.

An Act to open a Road in Saint-Mary's County. Lib. JG. No. 4, Passed Dec. 31. fol. 19.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, by the per reamble. tition of sundry inhabitants of Saint-Mary's county, residing in the neighbourhood of Saint Joseph's church, that they experience great inconvenience for the want of a public road from the land of colo-

nel Henry Neale to the aforesaid church; therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Road to be opened John M. Williams, Richard Melton, James Cook, Jeremiah Alvey ascertained and Elisha Johnson, be and they are hereby authorised to lay out and open a road from the land of colonel Henry Neale, of Saint-Mary's county, in the most convenient direction, through the land of John Tippitt, Richard Milton, Benedict A. Price, James Cook and Edward B. Goddard, to intersect the main road from Chaptico to Saint-Joseph's church; and the said commissioners are hereby empowered to contract with the proprietor or proprietors of the land over which the road may pass, and in case they cannot agree, then and in that case the commissioners, or a majority of them, shall forthwith issue a warrant, under their hands, directed to the sheriff of the said county, commanding him to summon twelve good and lawful men of the county, not interested in the land, or connected with the parties, to be and appear on the premises, on a certain day by him to be appointed; and in case the number of twelve shall not attend, the said sheriff shall summon other persons, qualified as aforesaid, until that number do attend; and the said sheriff shall then and there empannel the jury, and administer to them the following oath or affirmation, as the case may be, to wit: "I, A. . . B. do swear, that I will well and truly, without favour, affection, prejudice or partiality, ascertain the damages that will be susstained by the proprietor or proprietors of the land in consequence