

**CHAP. 207.** president of the bank, his place may be filled by the other directors for the remainder of the year.

Duration.

28. AND BE IT ENACTED, That this act shall continue in force until the expiration of the year eighteen hundred and fifteen, and to the end of the next session of assembly thereafter.

Further continued and extended by 1815, ch. 167, to 1st January 1835, &c.

CHAP. CCVIII.

Passed Jan 7, 1812 *An Act further supplementary to the act(a), entitled, An act for establishing a Company for opening and extending the navigation of the River Potomac.* Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 301.

(a) 1784, ch. 33. See 1802, ch. 84, and the acts there referred to.

Preamble.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen whether the act of assembly, entitled, A further supplement to the act for establishing a company for opening and extending the navigation of the river Potomac, passed at November session seventeen hundred and ninety\*, authorises the president and directors of the said company to condemn lands on the branches of Potomac river for the purpose of making canals and locks in improving the navigation of such branches, and to make agreements with the proprietors of lands whereby the water may be used for navigation;

\* Ch. 35.

President and directors authorised to exercise certain powers.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the president and directors shall be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to exercise the same powers, and to pursue the same measures for acquiring and condemning lands for the purposes aforesaid, on the branches of said river, and under the same restrictions as are given and directed by the fourth, eleventh and thirteenth sections of the act of assembly, passed at November session seventeen hundred and eighty-four†, entitled, An act for establishing a company for opening and extending the navigation of the river Potomac, relative to the acquiring and condemning lands for erecting locks and making canals on that river; and moreover, that the president and directors of the said company shall have, on the said branches, power to agree with the proprietors of the adjacent lands, as to the manner of erecting dams and conducting the water, so as to answer the purposes of navigation in such places as in the opinion of the said president and directors it may be conveniently done; *Provided nevertheless*, that the privileges and power by this act conferred, shall be construed to extend only to the principal branches or streams emptying into the Potomac, to wit: the Monocacy, Antietam and Conococheague, leaving the other and smaller ones free and unoperated upon, or bound by this act: And whereas, persons owning land on the said branches may be desirous to improve the same for the purpose of manufacture, the said president and directors are hereby fully authorised and empowered to grant to the said persons the privilege of using the surplus water for said purposes, from time to time, as they may be required so to do.

† Ch. 33.

PROVISO.

CHAP. CCIX.

Passed Jan 7, 1812 *An Act for the relief of Sarah Ellis, and her Children, of the City of Baltimore.* Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 302. A Private Act.

Supplements 1814, ch. 4, and 1817, ch. 91.