

CHAP. 27.

Passed Dec. 31.

An Act authorising a Lottery to raise a sum of money for improving the Navigation of the Eastern Branch of Potomac River. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 33.

CHAP. XXVII.

Supplements 1802, ch. 60, and November 1809, ch. 207.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of the town of Bladensburg, in Prince-George's county, that they labour under great disadvantages in trade by reason of obstructions in the Eastern Branch of Potomac river, and have prayed that a law may pass authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money, not exceeding two thousand dollars, for the purpose of improving the navigation of said Eastern Branch of Potomac river; therefore,

Scheme of a lottery to be proposed—bond to be given.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for Henry Joseph Stier, Benjamin Lowndes, Thomas Dick, Richard Ponsonby, Patrick Daugherty, William Bruce and Richard Cramphin, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery for raising a sum of money, not exceeding two thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets thereof, provided the said Henry Joseph Stier, Benjamin Lowndes, Thomas Dick, Richard Ponsonby, Patrick Daugherty, William Bruce and Richard Cramphin, (a) or such majority of them as shall undertake to act under this law, shall, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of five thousand dollars, conditioned that they will well and truly apply so much of the money arising therefrom, within six months after the drawing of said lottery shall commence, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expenses incurred in said lottery, shall, within twelve months from the time the drawing of said lottery shall commence, cause the said Eastern Branch of Potomac river to be cleared out, and the navigation thereof improved, in the best manner the sum of money raised by the said lottery will admit.

(a) By 1802, ch. 60, other commissioners were appointed; and others added by November 1809, ch. 207.

Bond to be recorded in clerk's office.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of said commissioners, before they act as such, to lodge such bond in the clerk's office of Prince-George's county, there to be recorded, and upon such bond, or any office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted against the obligors therein, or any of them, or their or any of their legal representatives, for any breach or non-compliance with the condition of the same.

CHAP. XXVIII.

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A Further Supplement to an act (b) to straighten and amend the Public Roads in Harford County, and to repeal the Act of Assembly therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 34.

(b) 1791, ch. 70. See 1800, ch. 39, and the acts there referred to.

Commissioners appointed to view and lay out road.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That William Maccubbin, Daniel Stansbury and John Patridge, of Baltimore county, and Gilbert Jones and John Moores, of Harford county, or any three of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners of review, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby