CHAP. CLXXXIII.

CHAP. 183.

An Act authorising Robert Welch, (of Ben.) former Collector of Anne-Arundel County, to complete his Collection. Lib. TH. No. Passed Jan 1, 1813 3, fol. 524.

CHAP. CLXXXIV.

An Act for the removal of certain Proceedings against General Hen- Passed Jan. 1, 1813 ry Lee of the City of Alexandria, from the County Court of Baltimore County, to the County Court of Montgomery County, and for other purposes. Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 525.

CHAP. CLXXXV.

An Act for the relief of William Smith, and others, of the City of Passed Jan. 1, 1815 Baltimore. Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 526.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the pe-Preamble. tition of the said William Smith, John Baptiste, Michael Whelan, (guardian for J. Jones' orphan children,) John H. Thompson and John Guiray, that by an act of assembly passed at November session eighteen hundred and nine*, a part of their ground binding *Ch. 85 upon the west side of Argyle-alley, as located and established by the commissioners under the act of November session seventeen hundred and ninety fourt, and contained within the following + 1784 ch. 39. streets and alleys; that is to say, Market street on the west, Wilkstreet on the north, Argyle-alley on the east, and Fleet-street on the south, has been condemned and appropriated to public use as a public alley by the name of Argyle-alley, and that the said petitioners have not been paid or in any degree compensated for said property: And whereas, it is but just and reasonable, that whenever private property is taken for public use, the individual whose property is so taken should be fully reimbursed any loss or injury he may thereby sustain; therefore,

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Commissioners-James Carey, James Biays, Job Smith, Esq. (of Fell's Point,) Samuel Sterett, Samuel Williams, David Williamson, Robert Walsh, John Stricker, William Matthews, Robert Stuart and Thomas Kell, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners for the purposes herein mentioned, and they shall determine whether Argyle-alley, from Fleet-street to Wilk-street, as a division between the proprietors of lots on the east, and those on the west side of said alley, ought to be midway between Market and Ann-streets, or where it has been laid out in pursuance of an act passed at November session eighteen hundred and nine; and if said commissioners, (two thirds of whom agreeing thereto,) shall decide that Argyle-alley, as the true division between the lots aforesaid, ought to be midway between Market and Ann-streets, then said commissioners shall proceed to determine, by a majority of votes, the damages sustained by each proprietor of the lots on the west side of Argyle-alley, by reason of said alley being placed as it was by said act, and the provisions of this act; and said commissioners shall also, in manner aforesaid, determine how much each proprietor of the lots on the east side of said alley shall pay to make up said damages; and each proprietor of ground on the east side adjacent to said alley, as determined as aforesaid to be the true division, shall become the proprietor of the ground westwardly, the

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