

CHAP. 116. of the land through which the same runs, are hereby authorised and empowered to close and stop up the same, and the said land, in the several and respective portions, according to their several metes and bounds, to occupy and use, as fully and amply as if the same had never been declared to be a public road; *Provided always*, that Levin Gale and Henry Chamberlaine, their heirs, executors or assigns, shall, at their own proper costs and charges, make the road, to be located under the provisions of this act, good and passable, and have a certificate of its being so made, signed by the commissioners aforesaid, or any two of them, returned to the levy court of said county, before they shall stop the road hereby authorised to be shut up.

Proviso.

Road declared public.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when the said road is made good and passable, and a certificate of that fact returned as aforesaid, then the same shall be, and is hereby declared to be, a public highway, and shall be kept in repair as the other public roads in Cecil county are kept in repair.

CHAP. CXVII.

Passed Jan 13 1817. *An Act for the relief of Levi Dukes, of Caroline County.* Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 258. A Private Act.

CHAP. CXVIII.

Passed Jan 11 1817 *An Act for the relief of James P. Heath, of the City of Baltimore.* Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 259.

Benefit of insolvent laws extended to him.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the judges of Baltimore county court, be and they are hereby authorised and directed, to extend to James P. Heath, of the city of Baltimore, the benefit of the act of assembly, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five*, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, and the several supplements thereto, without requiring the said James P. Heath to produce the assent in writing of two thirds in amount of his creditors, as is prescribed by the provisions of the said act, and supplements thereto.

* Ch. 110.

CHAP. CXIX.

Passed Jan 15 1817. *An Act to provide for the Recording of certain Deeds and other Papers.* Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 259.

Deeds, &c. in certain cases to be recorded.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That wherever the clerk of any county court in this state hath died, or shall hereafter die, leaving in his office any deed or deeds, or other paper or papers, other than judgments or proceedings in court, and which are required by law to be recorded, and have not been entered in the record books as required by law in the life-time of the clerk who received the same, it shall be the duty of the clerk of such county, for the time being, to record the same, as of the day on which the said deeds or other papers shall appear by indorsement thereon to have been received in the clerk's office to be recorded; and the clerk who shall so record the same shall affix thereto the name of the clerk who received the same, and also his own name, and the said deeds, and other papers, when so recorded, shall be of the same force and effect as if the same had been duly recorded in the record books on the day on which they were so received.