

CHAP. 83. commissioners to the use and benefit of the said town, and at such times as the commissioners shall think proper.

CHAP. LXXXIV.

Passed Jan. 8, 1803. *An Act concerning the Potomac Company.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 293. See 1784, ch. 33, 1804, ch. 89, 1806, ch. 79, Nov. 1809, ch. 192, ch. 193, 1811, ch. 208. 1814, ch. 75.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the object contemplated by the act of assembly for establishing a company for opening and extending the navigation of the river Potomac, has been accomplished,

Places where tolls may be received.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the proprietors of shares in the said Potomac company, their heirs and assigns, shall and may demand; take and receive tolls, at the several and respective places heretofore fixed by law for the payment and receipt thereof, to wit, at or near the mouth of Conococheague, Hooke's Falls, the Great Falls, and the Little Falls, according to the rates heretofore established; and all and every of the rights, interests, privileges and immunities, heretofore granted to, or vested in the said proprietors and Potomac company, are hereby confirmed and established to them, their heirs, assigns and successors.

Locks erected at the Great Falls to be available in law.

3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the locks erected at the Great Falls of the breadth of twelve feet, shall be as available in law, and shall be deemed and taken of the same force and virtue, as if the same were of the breadth of fourteen feet; and hereafter when new locks are erected, or old ones repaired, they shall be erected and repaired of such breadth and length, and of such materials, as a general meeting of the proprietors shall deem most conducive to the public interest and convenience; provided, that no lock shall be less than eighty feet in length, and twelve feet in breadth.

CHAP. LXXXV.

Passed Jan. 8, 1803. *A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry Insolvent Debtors, passed at November Session, eighteen hundred and one.** Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 294.

* Ch. 108.

See note under 1801, ch. 108.

CHAP. LXXXVI.

Passed Jan. 8, 1803. *An Act to incorporate the Members of the Taney-Town Library Company, in Frederick County.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 295.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the establishment of public libraries, under judicious regulations, cannot fail to promote the diffusion of useful knowledge and the interests of virtue, and to prove greatly beneficial to society: And whereas sundry inhabitants of Taney-Town, and its vicinity, have formed themselves into a company, and established a library therein, and have prayed that a law may pass creating them a body politic for ever; therefore,

Persons incorporated.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Henry Spalding, Joseph Taney, Thomas Jones, Roger Brooke, Daniel Boyle, Joseph Sim Smith and Samuel Harris, and such other persons as they may hereafter admit into their company agreeably to such rules and by-laws as they may establish for the beneficial and orderly management of their institution, shall be, and they, and their successors and assigns, are hereby declared to be, one com-