

CHAP. 53.

Passed Jan 12 1805

Preamble.

Spirituous liquors not to be sold within a mile of any Methodist meeting house.

Not to apply to ordinary keepers.

CHAP. LIII.

An Act to prevent the erection of Booths within one mile of any Methodist Meeting-House in Talbot County sitting Quarterly Meeting.
Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 607.

WHEREAS it is respectfully represented to this general assembly, by the Methodist Society of Talbot county, that sundry persons set up booths, and sell liquor and other things, near their meeting-houses during divine service, whereby those places intended for solemn worship are converted into places of traffic, debauchery and immorality, to the very great disturbance of the society; therefore;

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That whosoever, from and after the passage of this act, shall erect a booth for the purpose of selling, or shall sell or dispose of, any spirituous liquor, within one mile of any Methodist meeting-house in Talbot county, during the quarterly meeting of said Methodist society, shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten pounds current money of this state, one half thereof to be applied to the use of the county, the other half to him or them who shall sue for the same, to be recovered in like manner as other fines and forfeitures.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That nothing in this act shall be construed to hinder any ordinary-keeper, or licensed retailer, from selling liquors and other things in their respective dwelling-houses of stores.

CHAP. LIV.

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A Supplement to an act, (a) entitled. An act for the regulation of Denton, in Caroline County, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 608.

(a) 1802, ch. 25, (the title misquoted.)

Preamble.

Commissioners to lay off ten acres of land.

To lay off a quarter of an acre for a school-house.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of the inhabitants of Denton, in Caroline county, that they experience great inconvenience for the want of sufficient streets, lanes and alleys, in said village; therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the commissioners of Denton, or a majority of them, or their successors, to survey and lay off ten acres of land, adjoining said village, in addition to forty acres directed to be laid off by the original act to which this is a supplement, and in the same manner as is directed to be laid off in said original act.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall and may be lawful for the said commissioners, or a majority of them, or their successors, to survey and lay off one quarter of an acre of land from the public square in Denton, for the purpose of building a school-house thereon; that is to say, the said one quarter of an acre of land shall be laid off from the north-west corner of said public square, and when they have so done, and marked and bounded the same as they are directed to mark and bound the lot by the said original act to which this is a supplement, and shall return a plot of said lot so surveyed and laid off, with a certificate, to the clerk of the county court, to be recorded by him as part of the plot of said village, then the right of the said one quarter of an acre of land shall be and is hereby fully vested in the said commissioners, or a majority of them, or their successors, for the purpose of a school in Denton.