which is appropriated to the maintenance and education of poor children, many of whom have neither father nor mother living, and when discharged from said school are liable to become useless bers of society; therefore,

CHAP. 32.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Trustees may bind the trustees of said school, or a majority of them, shall have full outchildren, &c. power and authority to bind out as an apprentice, agreeable to the provisions contained in an act* for the better regulation of appren- *1793, ch. 45. tices, every child that has neither father nor mother living, that is supported and educated by the said trustees at said school, to some manufacturer, mechanic, or other person, at the discretion of said trustees, until such orphan child, if a male, shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years, and if a female, to the age of sixteen years, any law, usage or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That every indenture taken by the trus- Indenture to be tees aforesaid shall, within thirty days after the execution of the recorded. same, be recorded among the records of the orphans court of Caroline county, and the sum of three shillings shall be paid by the master or mistress of said apprentice therefor.

CHAP. XXXIII.

An Act to make valid the Will of Arthur M. Bade, late of Cecil Passed Jan 15 1803 County, deceased. Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 335. A Private Act.

CHAP. XXXIV.

An Act to erect a new Bridge over Great Choptank River, in Caro- Passed Jan 15 1800 line County. Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 336.

WHEREAS the old bridge over Choptank river, at the village of Preamble. Greensborough, in said county, is in a ruinous situation, and nearly impassable, and as it is found absolutely necessary that a new one may be built at or near the place where the old one stands, therefore.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That. 2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That. Commissioners George Reed, Nehemiah Townshend and William Whitely, be and appointed to build a bridge. they are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of building and completing the new bridge aforesaid, at or near the place where the old one now stands; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, are by this act empowered to agree and contract with any person or persons, upon the best and cheapest terms, to finish and complete the said new bridge.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the levy court of Caroline coun- Levy authorised ty be and they are hereby authorised and directed, at their nextlevy court, to assess and levy on the assessable property in said county, the sum of five hundred dollars current money, together with the usual commission for collection, to be collected by the collector of said county in the same manner as other county charges: are collected, and when collected by the collector to be paid to thosaid commissioners, or a majority of them, or to their order; and the said bridge, when completed, shall be kept up and repaired in the same manner that other public bridges in said county are by law directed to be kept up and repaired.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED. That in case any vacancy shall happen among the said commissioners, the remaining commissioners shall to be supplied. have power to fill up such vacancy until the said bridge be finished.