

BENJAMIN OGLE, ESQUIRE, GOVERNOR.

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CHAP. XXIII.

CHAP. 23.

*An Act further supplementary to the act, * entitled, An act for the better administration of Justice in the several Counties of this State.* Lib. Passed Dec. 19. JG. No. 3. fol. 390. * 1796, ch. 43.

See the note under ch 9.

CHAP. XXIV.

An Act for the relief of Thomas Beall, of Samuel, of Allegany County. Passed Dec. 19. Lib. JG. No. 3, fol. 391. A Private Act.

A patent to issue to him for lots No. 3473 and 3483, westward of Fort Cumberland, in Allegany county.

CHAP. XXV.

An Act for the destruction of Squirrels in Caroline county, Lib. JG. Passed Dec. 19, No. 3, fol. 392.

This act repealed by 1802, ch. 34.

CHAP. XXVI.

An Act to open a Road from Severn Ferry, in Anne-Arundel County, to Patapsco Lower Ferry. Passed Dec. 19, Lib. JG. No. 3, fol. 393.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the pe- Preamble. tition of sundry inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county, that they experience great inconvenience for want of a direct road from Severn ferry to Patapsco lower ferry, and praying a law may pass appointing commissioners to open a road, at the expense of the county, on the most direct course from Severn ferry to Patapsco lower ferry; and it appearing that the same would be of great public convenience; therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Henry H. Dorsey, Horatio Ridout, George Ashbaw, Thomas Lee and Henry Duvall, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners for that purpose, and any three of them are hereby authorised to lay out and open, at the expense of Anne-Arundel county, a road, not exceeding thirty feet wide, from Severn ferry to Patapsco, in said county, in the most convenient direction they may think proper; and the said road, when so laid out and completed, shall be recorded among the records of said county, and be thereafter deemed and taken to be a public road, and shall be kept in repair as other public roads in said county are directed to be kept. Commissioners appointed to lay out a road.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners aforesaid shall and they are hereby directed to apply to any justice of the peace for the county aforesaid, who shall issue his warrant, under hand and seal, directed to any sheriff of the county aforesaid, commanding him to summon five freeholders, disinterested as to the lands, and not connected with any person through whose lands the said road may pass, to appear at a place and on a day by him to be appointed, and after taking the following oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, or solemnly, sincerely and "truly declare and affirm, that I will honestly and faithfully estimate and value the damage and injury sustained by C. D. by "opening a road through the land of the said C. D. in pursuance of "the directions of this act," shall proceed to ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose land the said road may pass by opening and clearing the Damages to be estimated.