

CHAP. 53. it is desirable to encourage such undertakings, so promotive of the public conveniency; therefore,

Scheme may be proposed—bond to be given.

2. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said commissioners now appointed, or hereafter appointed, according to law, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised, to propose a scheme of a lottery to raise a sum of ten thousand dollars, free and clear of all expenses, costs and charges, incurred in drawing said lottery, and to sell and dispose of the tickets within the state of Maryland, or elsewhere, any law of this state to the contrary notwithstanding, and to provide for drawing said lottery in Chester-town, under such limitations as said commissioners, or a majority of them, may appoint and direct; provided such commissioners, or a majority of them, as shall undertake to act under this law, shall, before the sale of any ticket or tickets, give their joint and several bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of thirty thousand dollars, conditioned that they will well and truly apply the monies arising therefrom, within sixty days after the drawing of said lottery, to the payment of the prizes drawn therein to the adventurers to whom they shall be due, and after deducting the necessary expenses in the management thereof, shall apply the said ten thousand dollars to the erecting said bridge over Chester river.

Troops to pass bridge free, of toll.

3. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That during any war, after the erecting of said bridge, it shall be lawful for any troops marching under the authority of the United States, or of this state, to pass over said bridge free from toll.

Bridge may be landed to connect it with public road

4. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That the said commissioners be authorised to land said bridge at such place on the Queen-Anne's shore as they may deem the most proper, and to connect it with the public road, paying the proprietor for the value of said land such sum as may be ascertained by a jury, convened by the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county for that purpose, unless they can agree with the proprietor of said land for the same.

CHAP. LIV.

passed Dec. 23. *A Further Supplement to an act (a), entitled, An act for the better regulation of Apprentices. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 51.*

(a) 1793, ch. 45. See 1818, ch. 118.

Preamble:

WHEREAS by an act for the better regulation of apprentices, power is given to the justices of the several orphans courts of this state, and in their recess to the trustees of the poor, or any two justices of the peace, to bind out as an apprentice every orphan child, (the increase or profits of whose estate, whether real or personal, is or are not sufficient for the maintenance, support or education, of said child,) to some manufacturer, mechanic, mariner, handicraftsman, or other person, at the discretion of said justices: And whereas by the said act no power is given to the justices of the orphans court, trustees of the poor, or any two justices of the peace, to have such children brought before them for the purposes aforesaid; therefore,

Orphans courts authorized to bind out children of vagrants, &c.

2. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the several and respective orphans courts of this state, and in their recess, the trustees of the poor, or any two justices of the peace, upon information, shall have power, and they are hereby authorised, empowered and directed, to issue a citation