

direction that the nature of the ground will admit of; and the road, when so laid out, straightened and amended, and the valuation hereafter directed to be made shall have taken place, and a plot of the same made out and returned to the clerk of Baltimore county court, to be recorded among the records of said county, shall for ever thereafter be deemed and taken to be a public highway, and kept in repair as other public roads are in said county. CHAP. 115.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose land the said road shall pass, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and the same, when so assessed, shall be paid, or secured to be paid, by the person or persons who are interested in having the said road laid out, straightened and amended as aforesaid, or any other person or persons who may think proper to contribute thereto, to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, before they shall proceed to open the said road.

Damages to be ascertained.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person or persons, through whose land the said road shall pass, or his, her or their guardian or trustee, shall conceive himself, herself or themselves, aggrieved by such valuation and assessment of damages by the said commissioners respectively, it shall and may be lawful for any justice of the peace, on his, her or their application, to issue his warrant, under his hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of the county, commanding him to summon twelve disinterested men, qualified by law to serve as jurors in the county court, to meet upon the premises, on a certain day, of which six days notice at least shall be given to the party or parties interested; and the said jurors, when so met, and having each first taken an oath before some justice of the peace, that he will, without favour, affection, prejudice or partiality, assess the damages sustained by the person or persons at whose request such inquisition shall be taken, by reason of opening the said road through his, her or their land, shall thereupon proceed to assess and value the damages accordingly, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and such inquisition and valuation shall be final and conclusive between the parties respectively; *Provided*, that the said road shall not be opened through the buildings, gardens, yards, meadows or orchards, of any person, without his or her consent.

Persons conceiving themselves aggrieved by such valuation may have a jury summoned, &c.

Proviso.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the act passed in the year eighteen hundred and four\*, concerning the said road, and the supplement thereto passed at last fall session†, be and they are hereby repealed.

Acts repealed.

\* Ch. 4.

† Ch. 36.

#### CHAP. CXVI.

*An Act for the relief of William Sinclair, of the City of Baltimore.*

Passed Jan. 6, 1810

Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 291.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That on application of William Sinclair, of the city of Baltimore, to the county court for Baltimore county, by petition, in writing, offering to deliver to the use of his creditors, who reside in Ireland, or with whom he contracted any debt, or to whom he became indebted prior to his first arrival within the United States, all his property, real, personal or mixed, within the kingdom of Ireland, or within any state, kingdom or country, other than the state of Maryland, to which he is now, or was at any

On his application, county court to direct notice thereof to be given to creditors, &c.