

At a SESSION of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND, begun and held at the city of ANNAPOLIS, on Thursday the twenty-fifth of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two, and ended the 15th day of June: The following laws were enacted.

THOMAS SIM LEE, Esq; Governor.

C H A P. I.

An ACT for the adjournment of civil causes ruled for trial at the next general court for the western shore.

The said causes are to stand for trial on the same days in the 1st, 2d, and 3d weeks in June next, as they are marked for in the 2d, 3d, and 4th weeks in May; but the court may appoint other days at discretion, or they may continue the causes. Summonses for witnesses in these causes shall be returnable three weeks later than the days which they express; and the petit jurors shall attend on the 1st Tuesday in June, instead of the 1st Tuesday in May, or be liable to a fine, not exceeding £. 35. In case a sufficient number of them shall not attend, a *venire de circumstantibus* may issue to the sheriff of Anne-Arundel to summon the number requisite for the trial of any particular cause; but no person thus summoned shall be compelled to serve on more than one trial. And for the trial of criminals, at the court in course, a similar *venire* may issue.

C H A P. II.

A Bill, entitled, An ACT for an addition to Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS John Eager Howard, of Baltimore-town, by his humble petition to this general assembly, hath set forth, that he is seized and possessed of great part of a tract of land called Lun's Lot, part of which hath been heretofore laid out into lots, and annexed to Baltimore-town, which said lots have been built upon and considerably improved; and that it would tend greatly to the advantage of the said town, in case other parts of the said tract of land were laid out into convenient streets, lanes and alleys, and therefore prayed a law might pass for that purpose; and it appearing to this general assembly, that to extend the limits of the said town would contribute to promote the trade and commerce thereof;

Commissioners to cause land to be surveyed, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners of Baltimore-town, or the major part of them, be authorized and required, at any time before the first day of September next, to cause the aforesaid tract of land, or such part thereof as they may think necessary (not already incorporated and made part of the town aforesaid) to be surveyed and laid out into lots, streets, lanes and alleys, at the proper cost and expence of the said John Eager Howard, in such manner as to the said commissioners, or a major part of them, shall seem convenient.

A plot to be made, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners aforesaid, or a major part of them, shall, on or before the said first day of September, cause a correct and accurate survey and plot to be made of the said land, and of all the lots, streets, lanes and alleys, which shall be laid out in virtue of this act; and the said plot shall be recorded amongst the records of the said town, as soon as conveniently may be thereafter, there to remain as evidence of the boundaries, situation and location, of the said lots, and of the streets, lanes and alleys; which said streets, lanes and alleys, hereafter to be laid out in pursuance of this act, shall be highways, and be so deemed and taken to all intents and purposes whatever; and when the same shall be done, the said land, so surveyed and laid out, shall be, and is hereby declared to be, part of Baltimore-town, as fully and amply as if included originally therein, and shall have the same immunities and privileges as the rest of the said town has, or by former laws ought to have; saving to the state of Maryland, and all bodies politic and corporate, and all persons not mentioned in this act, their several and respective rights.