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XXXIII.

canal twenty-five feet wide and four feet deep, with sufficient locks (if necessary), each of eighty feet in length, sixteen feet in breadth, and capable of conveying vessels or rafts drawing four feet water at the least; and shall make, at or near the little falls, such canal and locks, if necessary, as will be sufficient and proper to let vessels and rafts aforesaid into tide water, or render the said river navigable in the natural course.

Proviso.

XVIII. And it is hereby provided and enacted, That in case the said company shall not begin the said work within one year after the company shall be formed, or if the navigation shall not be made and improved between the great falls and Fort Cumberland, in the manner herein before mentioned, within three years after the said company shall be formed, that then the said company shall not be entitled to any benefit, privilege or advantage, under this act; and in case the said company shall not complete the navigation through and from the great falls to tide water as aforesaid, within ten years after the said company shall be formed, then shall all the interest of the said company, and all preference in their favour, as to the navigation and tolls at, through and from, the great falls to tide water, be forfeited and cease.

Commodities
of either state
free from du-
ty, &c.

XIX. And be it enacted, That all commodities of the produce of either of the said states, or of the western country, which may be carried or transported through the said locks, canals and river, may be landed, sold, or otherwise disposed of, free from any other duties, impositions, regulations or restrictions, of any kind, than the like commodities of the produce of the state in which the same may happen to be so landed, sold, shipped or disposed of.

State to sub-
scribe, &c.

XX. And, to encourage and promote the said undertaking, Be it enacted, That if the state of Virginia shall subscribe fifty shares, in such case the treasurer of the western shore be authorized and directed to subscribe, in behalf of this state, a like number of shares, and the money necessary to be paid in consequence of such subscription, shall be paid by this state; and the treasurer of the western shore for the time being, shall have a right to vote according to such shares, in person, or by proxy appointed by him; and the said treasurer shall receive the proportion of the tolls aforesaid, which shall, from time to time, be due to the state for the shares aforesaid.

Act of no ef-
fect, &c.

XXI. This act, and every part thereof, to be of no effect, unless an act shall be passed by the legislature of Virginia upon similar principles.

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A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act to authorize and empower Robert Ballard, administrator of the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of Jonathan Plowman, late of Baltimore county, deceased, unadministered by Rebecca Plowman and David Arnold, his executors at the time of his decease, with the will of the said Jonathan Plowman annexed. PR.

C H A P. XXXV.

An ACT for the relief of Micajah Mitchell. PR.

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An ACT for the sale of a lot of ground in Baltimore-town, the property of Thomas Walley. PR.

C H A P. XXXVII.

An ACT for founding a college on the western shore of this state, and constituting the same, together with Washington college on the eastern shore, into one university, by the name of The University of Maryland.

Preamble.

WHEREAS institutions for the liberal education of youth in the principles of virtue, knowledge, and useful literature, are of the highest benefit to society, in order to train up and perpetuate a succession of able