

Lastly. That the county courts should have concurring jurisdiction with the provincial courts, respecting all kinds of crimes and offences.

C H A P. I.

C H A P. II.

An ACT to continue the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

C H A P. III.

An ACT reviving and continuing an act, entitled, An act for amending and repairing the public roads in Baltimore county.

C H A P. IV.

An ACT for the enlargement of Baltimore-town.

WHEREAS sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, by their humble petition to this general assembly, have set forth, that there are about eighty acres of land, lying on the east and south-east part of Baltimore-town, very commodiously situated, and convenient to be laid out into lots, and made part of the said town; therefore humbly pray, that it may be enacted,

Preamble.

II. **And be it enacted,** by the right honourable the lord proprietary, by and with the advice and consent of his governor, and the upper and lower houses of assembly, and the authority of the same, That the commissioners of the said Baltimore-town, and Jonathan Plowman, Isaac Vanbebber, and John Deaver, who are hereby appointed commissioners for the purposes herein mentioned, or the major part of them, do, with the consent of the proprietors of the said eighty acres of land or thereabouts, by virtue of this act, at any time they shall see convenient before the twentieth day of October next, cause the said eighty acres of land or thereabouts, to be surveyed, and laid out into lots, streets, lanes and alleys, in such manner as to them shall seem convenient; and any person or persons that shall build or improve on the said eighty acres of land or thereabouts, after the same shall be laid out into lots, as by former laws relating to the said town are directed, and purchase the same from the proprietor or proprietors, shall have an absolute estate of inheritance in any lot or lots so to be built and purchased; but the purchaser or purchasers of any part of the said eighty acres or thereabouts, are hereby left to agree with the proprietor or proprietors thereof, and not otherwise to have title to any the said new lot or lots to be laid out in virtue of this act.

Commissioners, &c. to cause eighty acres of land to be laid out into lots, &c.

III. **And,** whereas there are divers streets, lanes and alleys, already laid out on part of the said eighty acres of land or thereabouts, **It is hereby enacted,** That the same be confirmed, and that nothing in this act shall extend, or be construed to extend, to authorise or empower the said commissioners, or any of them, to alter or change the same; and that the said streets, lanes and alleys, already laid out, and which shall hereafter be laid out, in pursuance of this act, shall be highways, and be so deemed and taken to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

Streets, &c. not to be altered.

IV. **And be it further enacted,** That the commissioners aforesaid, or the major part of them, shall, on or before the first day of December next, cause a correct and accurate survey and plat to be made of the said eighty acres of land or thereabouts, and of all the lots, streets, lanes and alleys, which are now laid out on the same, and which shall be hereafter laid out in virtue of this act; and the said plat shall, by the order and direction of the justices of Baltimore county, cause to be recorded amongst the records of the said county, on or before the first day of April next, there to remain as evidence of the boundaries, situation and location, of the said lots, and of the streets, lanes and alleys, aforesaid; and that when the same shall be done, the said eighty acres of land or thereabouts shall be, and are hereby declared to be part of Baltimore-town aforesaid, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as fully and amply as if included originally therein, and have the same immunities and privileges as the rest of the said town has, or by former laws ought to have. Saving to his most sacred majesty, his heirs and successors, and all bodies politic and corporate, and all others not mentioned in this act, their several and respective rights.

Commissioners to cause a survey and plat to be made, &c.