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said branch below the intersection of the branch running from William N. Boteler's mill, shall be and are hereby deemed and declared nuisances, and may be by any person or persons pulled down, prostrated and abated as such.

Penalty for constructing weir, &c. hereafter

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That if any free person shall at any time hereafter put, place or make or cause to be made, placed or directed, any weir or hedge in the said western branch of Patuxent river, below the intersection of the mill branch aforesaid, or shall fish or cause to be fished any such weir or hedge, he, she or they shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty-five dollars for every such offence, to be recovered before any justice of the peace, by warrant in the nature of an action of trespass on the case, in the name of the state, one half to be paid to the informer or the person who shall warrant for and prosecute to effect the same, and the other half to be paid to the said justice of the peace, to be by him paid over to the order of the justices of the levy court of Prince George's county.

If a slave

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That if any slave or slaves shall commit or cause to be committed any of the offences prohibited by this act, he, she or they shall, for every such offence, by the judgment of a single magistrate, be punished with whipping not exceeding thirty-nine lashes.

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Passed Mar. 6, 1834. *An act in favour of Richard Tilghman Earle, Rachael Hambleton and Jacob Hambleton.*

Preamble

WHEREAS, Jacob Hambleton, late of Queen Anne's county, deceased, died without issue, possessed of a small personal property, having made no disposition thereof by will, and seized and intestate of the following real estate, lying in the said county, that is to say, a lot in the town of Centreville, conveyed to him in fee by one William Legg, on the fourteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and fourteen, containing sixty-seven square perches of land, more or less; another lot in Centreville, conveyed to him in fee, by Thomas W. Betton, on the sixth day of August, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, supposed to contain one acre of land, more or less; one other lot in Centreville, which he purchased of a certain Joshua Rennard on the fifteenth