

CHAPTER 58.

AN ACT to prevent the stock from running at large in Quantico, Wicomico county.

Stock not to run at large

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall not be lawful for stock of any kind to run at large in Quantico, Wicomico county, nor within the following described limits: beginning at the bridge across Quantico Creek on the south side, and the residence of George A. Bounds on the north, and the residence of Matthias Disharoon on the west side.

May be impounded.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be lawful for any citizen to take up and impound any cattle or swine which may be found going at large, and any person so taking up and impounding, shall notify a justice of the peace resident within said county, who shall give notice of said impounding by advertisements set up at one or more public places, describing the stock so impounded, and that the same will be sold at public auction at some public place in said limits within four days; *provided,* that if the owner of any stock impounded under this act, shall prove to the satisfaction of the justice of the peace, that said stock did not go at large from negligence or want of care on his or her part, and that due dilligence was used to prevent it, the owner shall have return of the property on paying all expenses of keeping and proving the same, and fifty cents for taking up each of said stock.

Proviso.

Money arising, how disposed of

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That all moneys arising from the execution of this act, the justice of the peace shall collect and pay to the party taking up and impounding said stock, a fair compensation for his services, and the balance to the owner or owners who may establish his or their claim to said property; and in the event of no such claimant appearing within thirty days, then the balance, after deducting costs, shall be paid into the school fund for Wicomico county.

Approved, March 12th, 1874.