Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

In force.

Approved April 11th, 1874.

CHAPTER 420.

AN ACT to prevent swine from running at large in the streets, lanes and alleys, of Knoxville, in Frederick county.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall not be lawful for any person Not be lawful. to allow his, her, or their swine to run at large in the roads, streets or alleys, in the villiage of Knox-Penalty. ville, under a penalty, to the owner or owners thereof, in the sum of fifty cents, for each swine found within the limits aforesaid.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That if any person finding any swine going at large within the prescribed limits of the first section of this act, and furnish such information under oath or affirmation, to- Furnish information, to- mation. gether with the name of the owner, to a justice of the peace in Peterville district of Frederick county, the said justice of the peace shall issue a summons to the owner or owners thereof, to appear before him Issue summons to answer in a plea of trespass, and if it shall appear upon satisfactory proof, that the swine of such person or persons charged in the summons, has been found within the limits prescribed in the first section of Render judgm't this act, the justice of the peace shall render judgment against the owner or owners thereof, in the sum prescribed in the first section of this act, together with all costs incurred, to be collected as other small debts.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any person or persons finding swine running at large lawful. in violation of this act, to impound such swine, and after giving five days' notice by writing, in at least two public places in Knoxville, he, she, or they may sell such swine to the highest bidder for cash, and