

**Miscellaneous.**

An. Code, 1924, sec. 27. 1912, sec. 16A. 1918, ch. 152.

**26.** Every person, his aiders, abettors and counsellors, who shall wilfully, negligently, recklessly, wrongfully or maliciously enter upon lands or premises, not his or their own, and, without the permission or authority of the owners of said lands or premises, shall cut, burn or otherwise injure and destroy or cause or procure to be cut, burned or otherwise injured and destroyed, any merchantable trees or timber thereon, shall be liable to the party or parties injured or aggrieved thereby to an amount equal to double the value of such trees or timber so cut, burned, or otherwise injured or destroyed, such damages to be recovered in a civil action, as in any other case.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 28. 1912, sec. 17. 1912, ch. 348, sec. 2.

**27.** The State Department of Forestry is merely authorized to purchase land out of moneys standing to the credit of the Forest Reserve Fund, at a price exceeding five dollars (\$5) per acre if necessary, for the establishment of a State Forest Nursery for the purpose of growing forest trees for planting on the State Reserves, and for distribution to private land owners at cost, to encourage tree planting.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 31. 1912, sec. 20. 1912, ch. 749, sec. 12.

**28.** The State Department of Forestry shall, in addition to the powers heretofore granted it, have the power to be exercised within its discretion, to acquire by purchase lands between the town of Relay (or Elkridge Landing) and a point 10 miles above that town, on either side of the Patapsco River, in Howard and Baltimore Counties, within a distance of one-half mile on either side from the medial line of said river, at such prices as they may determine it to be worth, within the appropriation hereunder made, the same to be paid for out of the funds appropriated by the Act of 1912, Chapter 749, to be held by the State as a State Forest Reserve, under the protection and administration of the State Department of Forestry, which shall exercise the same power in the matter of making rules and regulations in the management thereof as other State forest reserves are now subject to or may hereafter be subject to. The territory which may be acquired hereunder shall be subject to all the general laws heretofore passed by the Legislature of the State not inconsistent herewith, but acts inconsistent with the provisions of the Act of 1912, Chapter 749, are hereby repealed.<sup>1</sup>

An. Code, 1924, sec. 32. 1912, sec. 21. 1912, ch. 794.

**29.** The State Department of Forestry is hereby authorized to acquire for and in the name of the State a tract of land in Washington County on which is situate Old Fort Frederick, together with such other additional land adjacent thereto as may in the judgment of such Department be necessary and expedient, said land when so acquired to be under the control of said Department, and to be used by it in the execution of such plans as may be adopted by it for the reforestation of the State. The sum of eighty-five hundred dollars (\$8,500), or so much thereof as may be neces-

<sup>1</sup> By act, 1914, ch. 209, the state board of forestry is authorized to purchase additional lands on the watershed of the Patapsco river for a state forest reserve beyond the limits defined in this section.