

CHAPTER 165.

Dec Ses 1825.

An act to establish the times of paying the salaries of civil officers and the pensions of revolutionary officers and soldiers and of their widows.

Passed March 4, 1826.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* from and after the last day of June next, the salaries of the several civil officers of the government of this state, shall be paid quarter yearly on the first days of July, October, January and April.

Quarterly payments to civil officers.

2. *And be it enacted, That* the pensions of revolutionary officers and soldiers and of their widows, shall be paid half yearly, on the first days of October and April.

Half yearly to revolutionary soldiers.

3. *And be it enacted, That* on the first payment of such salaries or pensions all sums due, or fractional parts of any preceding quarter or half year, shall be paid as herein before provided.

Fractional part.

CHAPTER 166.

An act to create a Board of Public Works.

Passed March 4, 1826.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is the opinion this General Assembly, that the prosperity of this state would be quickened and better assured by the creation of a board of public works, whose duty it shall be to form and propose plans of internal improvement by means of roads and canals, to superintend the execution of such, as the legislature may approve and authorise; to devise and suggest the ways and means necessary to complete the same; and generally to take under their care and control the stock or property which this state does and may possess in these improvements; Therefore.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* a board of public works shall be, and is hereby created, which shall consist of nine directors, the governor of Maryland for the time being, shall be the president of said board, and with Thomas Buchanan, Richard Potts, Robert W. Bowie, Isaac M^rKim, William Howard, E. F. Chambers, Robert H. Goldsborough and Littleton Dennis, be the first or original directors thereof; and in case of the resignation or death, the refusal to serve, or removal out of this state of any of the directors afore mentioned, the vacancy thereby occasioned shall be supplied by appointment of the governor and council:

Board created—vacancies.

2. *And be it enacted, That* the president of said board, shall have power to call a meeting of the directors, whenever in his opinion the public interest may require it; and the said board may adjourn from time to time, to meet at any time and place they may consider most expedient; and the said president and directors shall have power to appoint a fit person for their

Meetings—appointments—projects.