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Claim and
accountability
annulled.

bed, board and mutual cohabitation with his wife Lydia Shanks.
2. *And be it enacted*, That the said Lydia Shanks shall not by virtue of her marriage with the said John T. Shanks, be authorized to have or claim any right or interest in the estate, real, personal or mixed, of the said John T. Shanks, to be by him acquired after the passage of this act; nor shall the said John, be liable for any debts which may be contracted by the said Lydia after the passage of this act.

CHAPTER 107.

Passed Feb
24, 1826.

An act to lay out and open a road from the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, to the city of Washington and George Town.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, by sundry citizens of Maryland, that it would be of advantage to themselves and the public in general, to have a road laid out and opened from Westminster, in Frederick county, to the city of Washington and George Town; therefore,

Commissioners to open,
&c.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Joshua Gist and Abraham Wampler of Frederick county, and James Hood, (of John) and Robert Tevis Mercer of Baltimore county, and Thomas Hood and Samuel Gaither of Anne Arundel county, and Thomas Davis and Richard H. Griffith of Montgomery county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to survey, lay out and open a road, not exceeding thirty feet in width in the best and straightest direction, taking all circumstances into consideration, from the east end of Westminster in Frederick county, (where the deer park road leaves the turnpike road,) through Brookville in Montgomery county, to the city of Washington and George Town, and the said commissioners shall make out a plot of that part of the road through Frederick county, and through Baltimore county, and return the same to the clerk of the county court, to be recorded among the records of said county, they shall also make out a plot of that part of the road through Anne Arundel county, and return the same to the clerk of Anne Arundel county court, to be recorded among the records of said county, they shall likewise make out a plot of that part of the road through Montgomery county, and return the same to the clerk of Montgomery county court, to be recorded among the records of said county; and the said road, when so opened shall be thereafter deemed to be a public road forever, and shall be kept in repair in the same manner as other public roads are directed to be kept in said counties.

Levy for ex-
pences.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the expenses of surveying and opening the said road shall be paid by the several counties through which it may be located, in proportion to the distance it may pass through each county, and the levy courts of said