be kept in repair as other public roads are by law within said CHAP. 124.

counties.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the commissioners here- Damages by appointed, or a majority of them, shall value and ascertain the damages that may be sustained by any person or persons through whose lands the aforesaid road may be made to pass, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and the damages when so ascertained and certified to the commissioners of said counties, shall be levied and assessed at their first levy, and collected as other Lavy county charges are within said counties, one moiety in each, and shall be paid over by the county commissioners, wherein such damages may be sustained to the person or persons entitled thereto.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners, Oath required before they proceed to act, shall personally take an oath or affirmation before some justice of the peace, that they will, without favor, partiality, or prejudice, assess the damages sustained by the persons through whose land the said road

may pass.

## CHAPTER 124.

An additional supplement to an act, entitled, an act relating Passed Mar, 31,1835 to Free Negroes and Slaves, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty one, chapter three hundred and twenty three.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, Residents on the That it shall and may be lawful for any citizen of that part of the District of Columbia, which was coded by the State of Maryland, to the United States, owning land in any part of this State, or any citizen of the State owning property with- Allowed egreeand in the said district, or hereafter acquiring it, to remove any slave or slaves for life, being natives of this State or that part of said District, and being the property of such crizen, into this State and from this State, back into that part of said District, at the will and pleasure of such owner, without any such slave or slaves being thereby entitled to their freedom, any law to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, Restriction that nothing in this act contained, shall be construed to give power or authority to any citizen of the District of Colum-