

the said commissioners shall levy the deficiency of said amount on the property of the persons interested in the opening of said street; and provided further, that before the said commissioners shall proceed to remove the house belonging to the said Henry Zegler, the amount of the damages aforesaid shall be paid to the said Henry Zegler.

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IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said street, so as aforesaid directed to be laid out and opened, and the whole of the said lot, shall be and remain a public highway for ever.

Street to be a highway, &c.

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An ACT for the relief of Martin Brown, an insolvent debtor.

Passed 20th of January, 1808. Preamble.

WHEREAS the grand jury for St. Mary's county did, at August term, eighteen hundred and seven, find two several presentments against Martin Brown, for begetting two illegitimate children upon the body of Mary Greenwell, and the said county court having at the said term adjudged that the said Martin Brown be committed, until the recognizance in the sum of thirty pounds in each case, with two securities, according to the acts of assembly in such case made and provided; and the said Martin Brown, from his extreme poverty, not being able to give the security required, was committed to gaol of the county aforesaid, where he still remains: And whereas it has been further represented to this general assembly, by the petition of the said Martin Brown, that he must remain in the said gaol a languishing prisoner for the terms of seven years, under the provisions of the acts of assembly of this state relating to persons guilty of fornication, unless he is relieved by the interposition of the legislature; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Martin Brown, on his complying with the provisions of the act of assembly passed in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and five, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, and the law passed in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and six, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, shall be entitled to the full benefit of the said laws, and shall have his person liberated from confinement, and have his final discharge, as the case may be, notwithstanding his commitment above referred to, in the same manner as if he stood committed for a debt due upon contract to any individual.

M. Brown entitled to the benefit, &c.

C H A P. CII.

An ACT to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of finishing the Elkton academy, purchasing philosophical apparatus for the same, and for paving and improving the streets of Elkton, in Cæcil county.

Passed 20th of January, 1808.

WHEREAS it is the wish of the citizens of Elkton that their academy, which is in an unfinished state, should be completed, and that philosophical apparatus be purchased for the same, and that the streets of Elkton be paved and improved, and have prayed that a law may pass authorising a lottery to raise the sum of three thousand dollars for the purpose of effecting the same; therefore,

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II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for Stephen Hollingsworth, William Alexander, Jeremiah Corden, John King, James Sewell, Asam Whann, William Hollingsworth, George Ricketts, John Groome and Joshua Richardson, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery for raising a sum of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets thereof, provided the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of six thousand dollars, conditioned that they will well and truly apply so much of the money arising therefrom, within six months after the drawing of said lottery shall be finished, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and the residue to the immediate finishing of said academy, purchasing a philosophical apparatus for the same, and to the paving and improving the streets of Elkton, after deducting the necessary expenses incurred in drawing said lottery.

A scheme may be proposed, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said bond shall be lodged in the clerk's office of Cæcil county, to be there recorded, and upon such bond, or office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted for any breach of, or non-compliance with, the condition thereof.

Bond to be lodged, &c.