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from the Pennsylvania line, where a public road from Lancaster intersects said line, by John Frey's forge, the straightest and best direction that the nature of the ground will admit of, to the Susquehanna, near the head of tide water; and the prayer of the petitioners appearing reasonable, therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That James Evans, James Simm, John Creswell, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to survey, lay out and mark the same, at the expence of the county, not exceeding thirty feet in width, beginning for the same at the Pennsylvania line, where a public road from Lancaster intersects said line, thence by said forge, in the straightest and best direction that the nature of the ground will admit of, to the Susquehanna, near the tide water.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall and they are hereby directed and required to make, or cause to be made, a plot of the said road, when surveyed as aforesaid, and to ascertain and estimate the damages that may be sustained by any person or persons through whose lands the same shall pass, and shall make return of said plot, together with a certificate of the courses of said road, and their estimate of the damages as aforesaid, to the clerk of Cæcil county, to be recorded, and when the same shall have been so returned, the said road shall for ever thereafter be deemed a public highway, and shall be kept in repair as other public roads in said county are; provided always, that the said commissioners shall not lay out the said road through the buildings, garden, meadows or orchard, of any person or persons, without his or their consent.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the levy court of Cæcil county be and they are hereby empowered and directed, at their next meeting after the plot directed by this act shall have been returned, or at any subsequent court, to appoint a supervisor to open and clear said road, agreeably to said plot, in the same manner as other roads are by law directed to be opened and cleared, and the said supervisor shall have the same allowance as other supervisors in said county.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners appointed by this act shall have an allowance of two dollars for every day they shall severally attend in discharge of the duties hereby imposed.

VI. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the levy court of the said county, at the time of the laying the next levy for the said county, or at any time within six months after the said road shall be opened and cleared as aforesaid, shall levy on the assessable property of the said county, such sum or sums of money as they may deem necessary for the purpose of surveying, opening, clearing and repairing the said road, and at their said levy court next after the return of said plot, they are hereby further authorised and empowered to levy the damages sustained by the owners of the land through which the said road shall pass, and also for the compensation to the commissioners as is herein before directed to be paid.

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## An ACT granting additional compensation to the harbour-master of the port of Baltimore.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the compensation now granted to the harbour-master of the port of Baltimore, is an insufficient remuneration for his attention and services in that capacity: And whereas it is reasonable that foreign vessels coming into said port for the purposes of commerce, should contribute their proportion of an additional allowance, in conformity to the usages of our sister states and foreign nations; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall and may be lawful for the harbour-master of the said port to ask, demand and receive, of and from the captain or commander of every foreign vessel, coming into the said port for the purposes of trade and commerce, the sum of five dollars, as an additional compensation to the said harbour-master for his care and diligence in the regulation of said harbour and providing a proper station for said vessels.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case of refusal or delay in making such payment, it shall and may be lawful for the said harbour-master to sue for and recover the same, before a single magistrate, as small debts out of court are now recovered.