

## CHAP. 41.

## CHAPTER 40.

Passed Jan. 27, 1846. *An act to authorise the citizens of Worcester county to plant Oysters, Clams or other Shell Fish, and for the protection of the same.*

Authorised to plant, &c.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, it may and shall be lawful for any citizen of Worcester county to lay or plant out oysters, clams or other shell fish, within the limits of said county.

Not more than one acre.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That any person or persons so planting oysters, clams or shell fish, are, by this act, authorised to stake off for their use and benefit, not to exceed one acre, which shall be their bona fide property to them, their heirs or assigns, for the space of five years from the date thereof; *provided,* that the person or persons staking off the same have a survey made by the county surveyor, whose duty it shall be to give a certificate of the same to each and every person as above stated, and said certificate then shall be placed among the records of said county, in the same manner and form that deeds are recorded; *and provided further,* that the said survey, when so made, shall not embrace any rocks whereon oysters or clams or other shell fish are growing at the time of the making the aforesaid survey.

Provisoos.

Penalty.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That if any person or persons are found guilty of stealing or otherwise feloniously taking oysters, clams or other shell fish so laid out or planted, they shall be dealt with as the law of this State directs in other cases of theft or felony.

## CHAPTER 41.

Passed Jan. 26, 1846. *An act to build a bridge across Fishing Creek, at Utica Mills, on the road leading from Frederick to Emmitsburg, in Frederick county.*

Levy court to levy.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the levy court of Frederick county be, and they are hereby authorised, in their discretion, to levy upon the assessable property of Frederick county a sum of money not exceeding five hundred dollars, for the purpose of building a bridge across Fishing creek at

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