

certain day, of which ten days notice at least shall be given to the party or parties interested, and the said jurors, when so met, and having each first taken an oath, before some justice of the peace, that he will without favour, affection, prejudice or partiality, assess the damages sustained by the person or persons at whose request such inquisition shall be taken, by reason of opening the aforesaid road through his, her or their land, shall thereupon proceed to assess and value the damages accordingly, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, (if any ;) and such inquisition and valuation shall be final and conclusive between the parties respectively ; *Provided*, That the said roads shall not be opened through the buildings, gardens, yards or orchards of any person, without his, or her consent.

1812.

Proviso.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if the owner or owners of the land which belonged to James Croxall, at the time of the passage of the above recited act, shall set up a boat, or cause it to be done by others, until they have paid the said Francis Holland the expence which he has been at by opening, straightening & making said road, they shall forfeit & pay to the said Francis Holland, the sum of two hundred dollars, to be sued for and recovered as sums of like amount are sued for and recovered.

Forfeit in a certain case.

CHAPTER 31.

*An act authorising Ezra Mantz, late sheriff of Frederick county, to complete his collection.*

Passed Dec 3, 1812.

WHEREAS, It is represented to this General Assembly by the petition of Ezra Mantz late sheriff of Frederick county, that from various causes therein set forth, he has not been able to complete his collection within the time limited, and that there is still due to him as sheriff of said county, considerable sums of money, and praying that a law may pass to enable him to collect the same ; *Therefore*,

Preamble.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the said Ezra Mantz be, and he is hereby authorised to collect, until the first day of December eighteen hundred and thirteen, all balances due him as sheriff of Frederick county, for the year eighteen hundred and twelve, in the same manner as he could or might have done within the time limited by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Collection extended till Dec. 1, 1813.