

CHAPTER 270.

Passed Mar. 10, 1856. AN ACT to prevent swine from going at large in the village of the Head of Sassafra and its vicinity, in Kent county.

Not lawful for swine to run at large.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first day of May next, it shall not be lawful for the owner or owners of swine to suffer them to go at large within the village of the Head of Sassafra, or within two miles of the centre of said village, fixing Clayton's Hotel as the centre of said village thereof.

Disposal of swine taken up.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That any swine found going at large within the limits prescribed under the first section of this act, may be taken up by any person or persons and kept for five days, and a written notice describing the same shall be posted up at one or more of the most public places in said village, requesting the owner thereof to come forward, prove property, and pay a fine of one dollar for every hog so taken up, to be paid to the person or persons taking them up; and upon such proof and payment of such fine, such owner shall have his property delivered up to him, and should no claimant appear, at the end of five days, the swine so taken up shall be sold to the highest bidder at public sale by the constable residing nearest such village, after five days notice, and after deducting the costs of keeping such swine, and the fine and the payment of one dollar to the constable, the balance shall be paid over to the treasurer of primary school number one, third election district of said county, to be by him applied to the use of said school.

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