

DEC. SESS. 1815. Church Hill in said county, with authority to sell the same; Therefore,

Conveyance valid.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That any conveyance or deed made by Robert Stevens, one of the executors of the last will and testament of James Roseberry deceased, in pursuance of the said will, be and the same is hereby declared to be valid and effectual to pass all the right, title and interest in and to the lands aforesaid, to the purchaser or purchasers of the same.

CHAPTER 143. An act to lay out a road in Baltimore County.

Passed Jan. 24, 1816. Width and direction plot.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Elijah Robinson, Moses Brown, Edward Stockdale, Henry Snowden and William Beasman be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to survey lay out and open at the expence of the petitioners, or any person or persons who may think proper to contribute thereto, a road not exceeding thirty feet in width, in the straightest and best direction the nature of the ground will admit of, from Jesse Bennett's mills to the old Westminster road, so as to intersect the said road, at or near Bockman's tavern; and the road when so laid out, and the valuation herein directed to be made shall have taken place, and a plot thereof returned to the clerk of Baltimore county court, shall be recorded in the records of said county, and forever thereafter be deemed and taken as a public highway, and kept in repair as other public roads are in said county.

Damages.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners or a majority of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose land the said road may pass, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and the same when so assessed shall be paid or secured to be paid, to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, before they shall proceed to open the said road; Provided, the said road shall not be opened through the buildings, yards, gardens or orchards of any person without his or her consent.

Proviso.

Persons aggrieved.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person or persons through whose land the said road shall pass, or his her or their guardian or trustee, shall conceive himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by such valuation and assessment of damages by the said commissioners, it shall and may be lawful for any justice of the peace for Baltimore county, on his, her or their application to issue his warrant under his hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of said county, commanding him to summon twelve disinterested men qualified by law to serve as jurors in the county court, to meet upon the premises on a certain day, of which six days notice shall be given to the party or parties interested, and when so met, and having each first taken an oath before some justice of the peace, that he will without favor, 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 said road through his, her or their land, shall thereupon proceed and value the damages accordingly, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and such inquisition and

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