

persons at whose instance it was held, shall pay all the legal costs and charges of said inquisition; but if on the contrary they should award a larger sum, then the costs of such inquisition shall be paid by the county.

DEC. Sess. 1815.

CHAPTER 68.

An act to repeal all such parts of acts of Assembly, as require a license for retailing strong Beer or Cider.

Passed Jan. 9, 1816.

Sec. 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all those parts of any acts of Assembly which require a licence to retail strong beer and cider be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Certain acts repealed.

CHAPTER 69.

An act to lay out and open a road in Frederick and Montgomery Counties.

Passed Jan. 9, 1816.

WHEREAS, Sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Montgomery counties, have by their petition to this General Assembly, prayed that a road may be opened at a point near the widow Reid's on the road leading from Frederick-Town to Noland's ferry, to cross Monocacy at Johnson's furnace; Therefore,

Preamble.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Leonard Jameson, Richard Thomas, (of Saml.) James S. Hook and John Hosselbeck of Frederick county, and Richard Beal of Montgomery county, or a majority of them be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to survey, lay out and open at the expence of the petitioners, or other persons interested therein, a road not exceeding thirty feet in width, in the best and straightest direction, taking all circumstances into consideration, from a point near the Widow Reid's on the road leading from Frederick-Town to Noland's ferry, pursuing the bed of the old road unless the public interest require a departure from it according to a right reserved in a deed of John Chisholm to Thomas Noland, dated the nineteenth of March seventeen hundred and seventy eight, to cross the Monocacy at Johnson's furnace, thence to a stone or gate the corner of Johnson Davis and Jones lands, thence with a straight line on the ridge between Davis and Jones, to intersect the road leading from the mouth of Monocacy to Baltimore at the mouth of the west end of Abraham Jones's land; and the said commissioners shall make out a plot of that part of the road through Frederick county, and return the same to the clerk of the county court to be recorded among the records of said county; they shall also make out a plot of that part of the road through Montgomery county, and return the same to the clerk of Montgomery county court, to be recorded among the records of said county, and the road when so opened at the expence of the petitioners or others interested, and the valuation hereinafter directed to be made shall be paid or secured to be paid, to the individuals concerned, shall be thereafter deemed to be a public road forever, and shall be kept in repair in the same manner as other public roads are directed to be kept in said counties.

Commissioners—width & direction—plot—repair.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case of death, resignation, disqualification or refusal to act of any of the commissioners aforesaid, the remaining commissioners or a major

Vacancies.