

Dec. Ses. 1816. tance of two miles from the site of the Conowingo Bridge, they shall give notice thereof to the governor of this state, who shall thereupon forthwith nominate and appoint three skilful and judicious persons to view and examine the same, and report to him, in writing, whether the said road is so far executed in a masterly and workmanlike manner, according to the true intent and meaning of this act; and if their report shall be in the affirmative, then the governor shall, by license under his hand, and the seal of the state, permit and suffer the president, managers and company, to erect such and so many gates or turnpikes upon or across the said roads, as will be necessary to collect the tolls granted to the said company, from all persons travelling on the same with horses, cattle, mules, wagons, carts or carriages.

State may assume.

13. *And be it enacted*, That if the legislature of Maryland shall at any time after the year eighteen hundred and forty-five, think proper to take possession of said road, for the purpose of declaring it a free road, six persons shall be appointed by the governor of this state, and six by the said company, who, or any seven of whom, not having an interest in said road, shall estimate the value of the property which said company have therein, and whenever the amount so estimated shall be paid to the said company, their right to toll on said road, and all their right, title and interest therein, shall cease.

Five commissioners to be appointed to locate road.

14. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners herein named shall appoint five commissioners to locate and survey the said turnpike road, and to exhibit a plot thereof at the time of opening the books of subscription for the said capital stock of twenty-four thousand dollars.

#### CHAPTER 236.

Passed Feb. 4. An act for the benefit of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the City of Annapolis.

Ground relinquished to trustees.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That so much of the public ground as is now occupied by the methodist meeting house in the city of Annapolis, together with such addition thereto as the governor and council may deem meet and sufficient for the building, rebuilding, or repairing the meeting house aforesaid, be and the same is hereby relinquished to the trustees of said church, and their successors, so long as they appropriate it to the purposes expressed in this law, and none other.

#### CHAPTER 237.

Passed Feb. 5. An act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company. Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is represented to the legislature, by petition of S. Smith and Buchanan, and others, that they have erected a cotton factory on lands owned by them, on the Gunpowder Falls, in Baltimore county, and that they are desirous of increasing their capital stock, by voluntary subscriptions of such persons as may incline to associate with them, to enable them to carry on more extensively the manufacturing of cotton, and to establish and carry on such other manufactures and business as may be deemed useful, and have prayed that they may be incorporated, in order to

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