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grounds over which the said road is intended to pass are equally good with those over which the said road is now laid out and confirmed by the said commissioners of review, and that the said Towson is willing to give up all that portion of his land over which the said road, when altered, shall pass, without compensation; therefore,

Commissioners to make an alteration, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners of review of Baltimore county, or a majority of them, shall and are hereby directed to make an alteration in the York turnpike road, as confirmed by the said commissioners of review, so as that the said turnpike road, when altered, shall pass by or near the buildings of the said Ezekiel Towson; that is to say, beginning for the said alteration at the place where the York turnpike road intersects the orchard of John Hopkins, and running thence with a straight line until it intersects the old York road at or near the said Ezekiel Towson's tavern, thence agreeably to the provisions of an act of assembly, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, passed at April session, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, and the supplements thereto, until it again intersects the said York turnpike road, as laid down and confirmed by the said commissioners of review; and when the said road shall be so altered and laid out, two correct plots thereof shall be made out, one to be returned to the clerk of Baltimore county, and one to the register of the city of Baltimore, to be by them recorded amongst their records.

At the expence of E. Towson, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the said review, laying out and surveying the road as herein intended to be altered, shall be done at the expence of the said Towson, and that the said Towson shall receive no compensation for any land belonging to said Towson over which said road when altered shall pass as aforesaid.

C H A P. C II.

Passed January 20.

An ACT to encourage the establishing of a hospital for the relief of indigent sick persons, and for the reception and care of lunatics.

Preamble.

WHEREAS there are frequently, in many parts of this state, poor dis-tempered persons, who languish long in pain and misery under various disorders of body and mind, and who cannot have the benefit of regular advice, attendance, lodging, diet and medicine, but at an expence which they are unable to defray, and therefore often suffer for want thereof: And whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that there is a charitable disposition in divers inhabitants of this state to contribute largely towards establishing a common state hospital in or near the city of Baltimore, properly disposed and appointed, where such afflicted persons may be comfortably subsisted, and where their health may be regularly attended to; therefore, for the encouragement of so beneficent an undertaking,

Treasurer to pay, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the treasurer of the western shore of Maryland shall and he is hereby directed to pay to the mayor of the city of Baltimore, or to his order, out of any unappropriated money that may be in the treasury, the sum of eight thousand dollars, to be applied to the establishment of said hospital, upon bond being given, with good and sufficient security, for the faithful application of the said money to the founding, building and furnishing, said hospital, according to the true intent and meaning of this law.

C H A P. C III.

Passed January 20.

Preamble.

An ACT respecting the acknowledgment of deeds.

WHEREAS by the acts heretofore passed for the enrolment and acknowledgment of deeds, no particular form for certifying the said acknowledgment by the person or persons who should take the same is designated or prescribed, and in many instances the judge or justices before whom