

C H A P. LII. mandated within that time, then such surplus to be paid to the trustees of the poor-house for Montgomery county.

Persons sued may plead, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person shall be sued for impounding any swine found upon his land, or any land in his possession, the defendant may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence.

C H A P. LIII.

Passed Jan. 15. A Further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, and for other purposes.

Preamble

WHEREAS the commissioners of review for Baltimore county have not, in conformity to the powers vested in them by an act of the last general assembly, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, and for other purposes, within the time therein limited, reviewed, and ultimately ascertained, the direction of the several turnpike roads mentioned in said further supplement; therefore,

Time extended.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the time limited in the said further supplement, passed at the last session of assembly, for ascertaining and fixing the direction of the turnpike roads therein mentioned, be and the same is hereby extended to the first Monday in October next.

Commissioners to meet, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners of review, (provided it is not sooner done,) shall meet in the city of Baltimore on the first Monday in May next, and from thence proceed to review, and ultimately ascertain, the direction of all the roads which they are authorized to review and ascertain, and if a majority of the said commissioners of review shall not attend agreeably to the direction of this act, unless prevented by sickness, the commissioner or commissioners attending shall, within ten days, notify to the clerk of the commissioners of the tax the names of the absent commissioners of review neglecting to attend as aforesaid, or prevented by sickness, and the said clerk is hereby directed to call, by public advertisement, a meeting of the commissioners of the tax, who shall, upon their meeting, proceed to the appointment of other commissioners of review in the place of those neglecting to attend as aforesaid; and the said commissioners of review, so appointed by the commissioners of the tax, shall be deemed commissioners of review in the place of those excluded by neglecting to attend as aforesaid.

And review and ascertain the direction, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners of review so appointed by the commissioners of the tax, in conjunction with those retaining their places, or a majority of them, shall, on or before the first Monday of October next, review, and ultimately ascertain, the direction of all roads which by the original act and supplements thereto, to which this is a further supplement, and an act, entitled, An act to freighten and amend the several public roads in several counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety, they are authorized to review, and ultimately ascertain, not heretofore reviewed and ascertained agreeably to the provisions of the original acts, and the supplements thereto, and when the said road or roads shall be so ascertained, a plot shall be returned thereof, within two months, to the clerk of Baltimore county, for the purpose of being recorded.

Penalty for neglect, &c.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case the commissioner or commissioners of review attending on the said first Monday in May next, or within ten days thereafter, shall neglect to notify to the clerk of the commissioners of the tax the names of the absent commissioners of review, if any, the said commissioner or commissioners so neglecting as aforesaid shall be subject to the payment of a fine of one hundred dollars, one half thereof to go to the informer, and the other half for the use of Baltimore county, to be recovered by indictment or information.

C H A P. LIV.

Passed Jan. 15. An ACT to authorize and empower the levy court of Montgomery county to assess and levy annually a sum of money for the support of Joseph Crown.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Joseph Crown, of Montgomery county, by his petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that he is now in the ninety-second year of his age, and has no other dependence whereby to subsist but on the benevolence and care of an affectionate daughter, who is very poor, and prays an act may pass to provide for his future maintenance out of the poor's house; and the facts stated in said petition appearing to be true, therefore,

Justices to levy money.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of Montgomery county shall be and are hereby directed and empowered, at their levy court annually, so long as they shall see cause, to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county a sum of money, not exceeding thirty dollars, for the support and maintenance of said Joseph Crown, and that the same be collected and paid annually by the collector of Montgomery county to such person as the levy court of said county shall or may direct.

C H A P. LV.

Passed Jan. 15. An ACT to open a road from Martin's ford, on the north branch of Patowmack, to intersect the main road leading from the mouth of George's creek to the town of Cumberland.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Allegany county, that they find it inconvenient and troublesome to transport the produce of their farms to market, owing to the want of a road from Martin's ford, on the north branch of Patowmack, the most direct and convenient way, to intersect the main road leading from the mouth of George's creek to Cumberland,