

**C H A P. LXXVIII.** Matthews, William Ward, John Rumsey, Alexander Stuart, John Thomas, William Gleaves, Augustine Boyer, Thomas Harris and James Pearce, be and they are hereby erected into a corporation, by the name of The Trustees of George-town School, for the purposes of receiving, holding and directing, funds for the benefit of said school, and managing the interest and concerns thereof; which said persons, so nominated trustees for George-town school, and their successors, to be appointed in the manner herein after prescribed, shall and are hereby declared to be one community, corporation and body politic, to have continuation for ever, by the name of The Trustees of George-town School, and by that name to sue and be sued, implead or be impleaded, and to make and have a common seal, and the same to break, alter or renew, when and so often as they shall think fit.

**How vacancies are to be filled.** III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the aforesaid trustees, and their successors, or a majority of them, shall, at any and at all times, upon the death, resignation, or removal from the counties of Kent and Cecil, of any one or more of the trustees, appoint other sensible and discreet man or men of the said counties to be the trustee or trustees to fill the vacancy created by the death, resignation or removal, as aforesaid.

**Trustees to make ordinances, &c.** IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said trustees, and their successors, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to make fundamental ordinances for the government of the school or seminary aforesaid, and the education of the youth, and to appoint such person or persons as they, or a majority of them, may think proper, to be teacher or teachers of the said school.

**Meet twice in each year, &c.** V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said trustees, and their successors, or a majority of them, shall meet at least twice in each year, at such times as shall be appointed by their own ordinances, in order to examine the progress of the students and scholars, and to hear and determine on all complaints and appeals, and all matters touching the discipline of the seminary, and the good and wholesome execution of their ordinances, on all which occasions a majority at least of the trustees shall compose a quorum.

**And may hold property, &c.** VI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said trustees, and their successors, may hold and enjoy, and that they may be apt and capable in law for taking, holding and enjoying, all lands, tenements, rents, services, portions, annuities and pensions, with all other inheritances, franchises and possessions whatsoever, of the gift of any person whatsoever that is willing to bestow them, for the use of the school aforesaid, or any other gifts, grants, assignments, legacies or donations, of any and all kinds whatever, for the use and benefit of said school.

**C H A P. LXXIX.**

**Passed Jan. 16.** A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of Joseph Forrest, of George-town, Patowmack, and Thomas Earle, of Queen-Anne's county.

**Preamble.** WHEREAS the act to which this is a supplement gives no power or authority to the chancellor to bring Joseph Forrest and Thomas Earle, or either of them, before him, in case either of the said persons should be imprisoned at the time of exhibiting his or their petition,

**Chancellor to have certain powers, &c.** II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the chancellor have and possess the same powers and authorities in relation to the said persons, or either of them, as are given to the chancellor in certain cases under the ninth section of the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at the present session of assembly.

**C H A P. LXXX.**

**Passed Jan. 16.** An ACT to lay out and establish a road from the city of Annapolis to the city of Washington, and to repeal the act therein mentioned.

**Preamble.** WHEREAS by a resolve of the general assembly, passed at November session, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, commissioners were authorized and empowered to examine the situation of the country between the city of Washington and the city of Annapolis, and ascertain and determine the direction and position of the nearest, most convenient and practicable road, that could be laid off between the said two places, and report the same, with a plot thereof, to the next general assembly: And whereas the said commissioners have undertaken and completed the same, and returned a plot of the said road, and it appearing from said plot, that the said commissioners have carried the road in such a direction that it will pass over the Eastern Branch, one mile, or thereabouts, above the ferry kept by Matthew Wigfield, at a place where it will be necessary to make a causeway at a considerable expence; and it also appearing that the said road will more certainly, and with more expedition, be brought into use, if the location thereof should be altered, so that the same may pass over at the ferry kept by Matthew Wigfield; therefore,

**Commissioners appointed, &c.** II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Thomas Duckett, Levi Gantt and Jacob Duckett, of Prince-George's county, and William Harwood, Leonard Sellman, Edward Hall and James Williams, of Anne-Arundel county, shall be and are hereby appointed commissioners of said road, and that they, or any four of them, be and are hereby authorized to alter the location of said road, so that the same shall pass over the Eastern Branch at the ferry kept by Matthew Wigfield as aforesaid, and when the direction shall be altered, the said commissioners, or any four of them, may and shall cause the plot of said road to correspond with such location.

**Who are to open a road, &c.** III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or any four of them, are hereby authorized and empowered to open, clear and grub said road, not exceeding thirty feet wide; and the said road, so opened, cleared and grubbed, shall be recorded among the records of Anne-Arundel