

1783. NOVEMBER.

L A W S O F M A R Y L A N D.

C H A P.

XXIII.

Corporation to  
meet, &c.

Future sub-  
scribers to be  
come members,  
&c.

In what cases  
shares are for-  
feited, &c.

When canal is  
to be begun,  
&c.

Owners of land  
may become  
subscribers, &c.

Passed 26th of  
Dec. 1783.

Preamble.

Land to be  
surveyed, &c.

A plot to be  
made, &c.

XII. BE IT ENACTED, That the said corporation shall meet once in every three months for the first year, and oftener if it shall be necessary, at all which meetings the governor for the time being shall preside; and all laws and regulations shall be determined by a majority of votes; and the holder or holders of each share shall have only one vote, which may be given by proxy, authorised by writing, signed and sealed by the holder or holders of such share, and lodged with the secretary previous to the receiving the vote.

XIII. BE IT ENACTED, That the persons who shall hereafter become subscribers to make up the sum of twenty thousand pounds current money as aforesaid, shall become members of the said corporation, and shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges as if they had originally subscribed, and had been named in this act.

XIV. BE IT ENACTED, That where there shall not appear property for the payment of the stipulated quota of any subscriber in the county within the state where the party resides, that then and in that case the party shall forfeit his share, or part of a share, in the said company, if he neglects payment one month after it becomes due; and in case the subscriber, or his assignee, shall reside out of this state, he shall forfeit his whole share, either on subscription or assignment, and every right, title and authority derived under this act, if he shall neglect or refuse to pay to the governor or director of the company, such share so due as aforesaid.

XV. BE IT ENACTED, That the persons incorporated by this act shall begin the canal at or near Love Island, on or before the first day of October next, and carry on the same with diligence till it reaches tide water, and fully complete the canal, according to the directions of this act, within seven years, and on failure or neglect to perform the same within the time aforesaid, this act to be null, void, and of no effect.

By 1790, ch. 36, further time is allowed till the 1st of October, 1798, and by 1797, ch. 99, till 1st December, 1805.

XVI. BE IT ENACTED, That the owners of lands through which the canal may pass shall have full liberty to become subscribers for making the said canal, at any time before the first day of June next, provided such application be made before the subscriptions be filled up and completed.

C H A P. XXIV.  
An ACT respecting theatrical entertainments. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 361.

To continue one year, &c. Expired.

C H A P. XXV.  
An ACT respecting the tunnage of vessels. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 362.

C H A P. XXVI.  
An ACT for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors confined in gaols in this state. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 363.

C H A P. XXVII.  
An ACT for an addition to George-town, in Montgomery county. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 363.

WHEREAS Thomas Beall, son of George, of Montgomery county, by his humble petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that he is seized and possessed of part of a tract of land, called and known by the name of The Rock of Dumbarton, adjoining George-town, containing sixty-one acres, which he is desirous of annexing to said town, and therefore prayed, that a law might pass for that purpose; and it appearing to this general assembly, that to extend and enlarge the limits of said town will greatly contribute to promote the trade and commerce thereof;

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Messieurs John Murdock, Richard Thompson, William Deakins, Thomas Richardson and Charles Beatty, be commissioners of George-town, or the major part of them be authorised and required, at any time before the first day of August next, to cause the aforesaid parcel of land, or such part thereof as they may think necessary, to be surveyed and laid out into lots, streets, lanes and alleys, at the proper cost and expence of the said Thomas Beall, in such manner as to the said commissioners, or a major part of them, shall appear convenient.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners aforesaid, or a major part of them, shall, on or before the said first day of August next, cause a correct and accurate survey and plot to be made of the