C H A P.

An ACT to repeal part of an act, (a) entitled, An act to appropriate Dec. 1787. certain land to the use of the officers and soldiers of this state, and for the sale of vacant lands. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 283.

(a) November, 1781, ch. 20.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following words of the above Part of an act mentioned act, to wit: 'And before any grant shall issue on any certificate expressing more than one boundary for the beginning, the owner shall make oath, or affirmation, (as the case may be,) that he knows or believes that the distances mentioned in the certificate were actually run, and that no more land is contained by the lines and boundaries than returned by the furveyor," be and are hereby repealed.

C H A P. IV.

A Supplement to the act (b) for laying out roads from Snell's bridge and Green's bridge, on Patuxent, to the bridge over Patapico falls, near Ellicott's lower mills. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 283.

(b) April, 1787, ch. 2.

THEREAS the mode prescribed by the faid act to ascertain and value the damages to be suf- Preamble. tained by persons through whose lands the said roads might pass, by occasion thereof, has been found to be inconvenient, and not to answer the valuable purposes intended by faid act;

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners appointed by Commissioners the faid act shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by persons through whose lands to ascertain dathe faid roads may pass, by occasion thereof; and in case any proprietor or proprietors, or their mages, &c. guardian or trustee, shall conceive themselves aggrieved by the valuation of the commissioners of the damages to be fustained by opening the faid road through their land, that it shall and may be lawful for the faid commissioners, or any two of them, on application for that purpose by any person interested, to iffue their warrant, under hand and seal, directed to the sherist of Anne-Arundel county, commanding him to summon twenty-four persons, qualified by law to be of the petit jury of the said county, to appear on a day, by them to be appointed, on the land through which the said road may be proposed to be carried, and of the persons so summoned the said commissioners and the party interested shall alternately strike out one, until the number twelve shall remain, and the faid twelve persons so remaining shall be the jury, and shall take an oath or affirmation, truly and impartially to estimate the damages of the party according to the direction of this act, and the best of their judgement; and the faid jurors, or any number not less than nine of them, shall, on their oath aforesaid, estimate and value the said damages, and make return thereof to the said commissioners, and to the party interested; and that, in estimating the said damages, the said persons shall take into consideration the advantages and disadvantages to be derived to the party interested from having the said road carried through his lands as may be proposed, which valuation, so made and returned, shall be conclusive, and the party or parties in whose favour the faid valuation shall be made shall be entitled to receive the same from the said commissioners, and which shall be paid by the said commissioners within fix months after the faid valuation, any valuation before made under the faid act notwithstanding.

C H A P.

An ACT to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly. Lib. TBH. No. B. Passed 16th of fol. 285.

This act was to commence on the first Monday of March then next, and to continue three years, &c. Continued by 1791, ch. 84, to 30th October, 1798, &c. beyond which it was not continued. Another act for the same purpose was passed 1794, ch. 11, and repealed by 1795, ch. 67.

C H A P.

An ACT to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 286.

C H A P. VII.

An ACT to record a deed from Richard Wiley to William Hunter, late of Baltimore county. Lib. TBH. No. B. fol. 287. A Private Act.