

1788. NOVEMBER.

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

C H A P.  
XXVI.  
W. Hammond  
to build a  
bridge, &c.

II. AND BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said William Hammond shall have full power and authority to build, erect and lay, at the place commonly called Hammond's Ferry, on Patapsco river, a floating bridge across the said river Patapsco; which said bridge, when erected, built and fixed, shall be of sufficient width and strength for all carriages to pass and repass over the same; and it shall and may be lawful for the said William Hammond, and all and every person or persons claiming under him, to ask, demand and receive, for the term of twenty years hereafter, as toll, or a compensation for the safe transportation over the said ferry, according to the rates following, to wit: every four wheel riding carriage, including horses and driver, one shilling and six-pence; every two wheel carriage, including horses and driver, one shilling and four-pence; every man and horse, four-pence; every foot person, or single horse, two-pence; horned and other cattle per head, one penny; which tolls are hereby rated in current money, and may be discharged in Spanish milled dollars, at the rate of seven shillings and six-pence each; provided always, and it is the true intent and meaning of this act, that the said William Hammond, and all persons claiming under him, shall not be permitted, in virtue of any power vested in him or them by this act, to obstruct, or in any manner impede, the passing and repassing of any vessels of any size, description or name, up and down the said river Patapsco; but that the said William Hammond, and all those claiming under him, shall be obliged to have a free passage kept open, either by a draw-bridge or otherwise, for all vessels of every size or description to pass and repass through the said floating bridge; and provided also, that the said William Hammond shall enter into bond, with security, to be approved of by Baltimore county court, to finish the said bridge within the term of three years, and keep the same in repair during the term of twenty years aforesaid, and to comply with the terms and conditions enjoined on him by this act.

Road deemed  
public, &c.

Passed 22d of  
Dec. 1788.  
\* 1715, ch. 41.

Part of an act  
suspended.

III. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the road leading from Hammond's ferry to the Baltimore iron-works, in Baltimore county, shall be deemed and taken, at all times hereafter, as a public road and highway; and the justices of Baltimore county court are hereby required to appoint an overseer over the same, and may, if they think proper, have the same streightened and repaired; and the said road, for ever hereafter, shall be considered as a public road of Baltimore county, and subject to all such regulations and advantages as other public roads in the said county are entitled to.

C H A P. XXVII.

An ACT to repeal part of an act, \* entitled, An act for the better administration of justice, &c. Lib. JG. No. I. fol. 49.

B E IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the third section of an act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in the high court of chancery, provincial and county courts of this province, for the more speedy recovery of debts, easy obtaining of executions against persons from the counties where the judgments were recovered against them, for preventing commissioners, sheriffs, clerks and deputy-clerks, to plead as attorneys in their respective courts to which they belong, and for amerciaments in the provincial and county courts, passed at a session of assembly held at the city of Annapolis the third day of June, in the year seventeen hundred and fifteen, shall be and is hereby suspended for the space of two years from the passage of this act.

Revived and continued to 30th October 1794, &c. by 1791, ch. 84. Continued to 30th January, 1798, by 1794, ch. 71. Expired. Revived and continued to the end of the session by 1798, ch. 10, and by 1798, ch. 71, continued to 30th October, 1805, &c.

C H A P. XXVIII.

An ACT to repeal part of an act, (a) entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to prevent the exportation of unmerchantable tobacco. Lib. JG. No. I. fol. 49.

(a) 1785, ch. 62, which has since expired.

C H A P. XXIX.

A Supplement to an act (b) for building a new court-house and gaol in Queen-Anne's county, and for other purposes. Lib. JG. No. I. fol. 50.

(b) April, 1782, ch. 4.

Preamble.

W HEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the land at or near the head of Corfica creek, in Queen-Anne's county, has been purchased for the purpose of building thereon a court-house