

single-magistrate; and that part of the act of seventeen hundred and eighty-two\* before recited, imposing a tax of fifty pounds *per annum* on theatrical exhibitions, is hereby repealed.

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LIX.  
Chapter 17.

By 1796, ch. 68, the corporation is empowered to provide for licensing, regulating or restraining, theatrical or other public amusements.

XII. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any company of comedians acting without a licence obtained as aforesaid, may be fined at the discretion of the county or criminal court of the county of Baltimore, in a sum not exceeding ten pounds for every night they shall so exhibit without licence.

Penalty for acting without licence, &c.

XIII. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Baltimore county criminal court, may, at their discretion, order any person sentenced to hard labour, to work on the streets of Baltimore-town, or as many of the said description of persons as they may, in their judgment, think necessary, to aid any of the objects of this act.

Court may order certain persons to work, &c.

XIV. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the said street commissioners, or a major part of them, are hereby authorized and required to set, ascertain and appoint, the assize and weight of the several sorts of bread within the said town and precincts, and do all and every other thing enjoined on the magistrates by an act, entitled, An act to regulate the assize of bread, passed in seventeen hundred and eighty-nine,\* and make all necessary regulations and appointments for carrying the said act into execution in the said town and precincts not contrary to law, and to act in as full and ample a manner as if they had been named in the said act, any thing therein to the contrary notwithstanding.

Commissioners may set the assize of bread, &c.

Chapter 8.

XV. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the billiard tables erected in the precincts of said town are hereby taxed, and made subject to the same tax imposed on billiard tables within the town, and the said commissioners are hereby empowered to collect the same.

Billiard tables taxed, &c.

XVI. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on application, in writing, by the proprietors of lots in Ridgely's Addition to Baltimore-town, to the said street commissioners, for permission to enclose the said lots under fence, or any part thereof, that thereupon the said commissioners shall view the said Addition, and grant, under hand and seal, permission, reserving, nevertheless, a thoroughfare through the said Addition, by directing such street or streets in the said Addition to be left open as correspond with other streets leading into the country and improved part of Baltimore-town, as, in their judgment, may appear necessary; provided also, that no permission as aforesaid be granted, unless it shall further appear to the commissioners that a major part of the proprietors of the lots have applied for said alteration.

On application, lots may be enclosed, &c.

XVII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on any future application of any proprietor or proprietors of the said lots to the said street commissioners to remove the fences made as aforesaid, or such part of the same as he or they may state as conducive to the interest of the said Addition, that thereupon they shall grant their assent in writing, and record the same, with the application; provided nevertheless, that it shall have appeared to the said commissioners that the said removal may be conducive to the interest of the said Addition; and thereupon the applicants, or either of them, may remove the obstructions granted to be removed; provided always, that previous notice shall be given to the party concerned, that he or they may have an opportunity to remove the same.

Fences may be removed, &c.

By the act to erect Baltimore-town into a city, 1796, ch. 68, the powers given by this and other acts are transferred to the corporation, and by 1797, ch. 54, the corporation is empowered to pass all ordinances necessary for paving and keeping in repair the streets, lanes and alleys.

C H A P. LX.

An ACT empowering the wardens of the port of Baltimore to levy and collect the duty therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 463.

Passed 26th of Dec. 1791.

WHEREAS many useful regulations have taken place in consequence of the powers heretofore granted to the wardens of the port of Baltimore; and to enable them to carry the said regulations into full effect,

Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the wardens of the said port of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to assess, levy and collect, on every vessel arriving at the said port of Baltimore, of sixty tun or more, a sum of money not exceeding two cents per tun, to be appropriated and applied by the said board of wardens to carry into effect the rules and regulations which they may, from time to time make, respecting the harbour and port of Baltimore.

Wardens may assess vessels, &c.

III. AND