JOHN H. STONE, Esquire, Governor. November.

furnish the same, at the expence of such owner or owners, to be deducted out of the rent of such C H A P. house. The state of the state o

IV, AND BE IT ENACTED, That the magistrates of said town, or any two of them, shall, after A person to be the expiration of the time limitted by this act, appoint a fit and proper person to make due and dili- appointed, &c. gent inquiry at each and every house in said town, and report to the magistrate or magistrates all delinquents under this act, and all such delinquents shall be by them, or either of them, summoned to appear before some one of the magistrates of said town, and if upon examination it shall appear, that fuch delinquent has not procured such bucket or buckets, such delinquent shall pay a sum not exceeding twenty hillings current money, with costs, for each bucket not furnished, to be recovered as other small debts, and to be applied to the purchase of jack leathern buckets, to be deposited in the engine houses of faid town; and such person so appointed to examine and report stiall, if he requires it, receive a reasonable compensation for his services, to be agreed upon by the magistrates who shall have appointed him, to be paid out of the fines arising by this act.

V. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any person be sued or impleaded for performing or General issue doing any thing by this act required, the defendant may plead the general iffue, and give this act pleadable, &c. and the special matter in evidence.

C H A P. XXXIII.

An ACT for the benefit of Thomas Clark: Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 189. A Private Act.

Passed 26th of Dec. 1794.

C H A P. XXXIV.

An ACT to repeal and alter part of an act of assembly therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 191.

WHEREAS under the twenty-first section of an act of assembly, passed at a session of assembly Preamble. in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-three, * entitled, An act to provide for the ap. • Chapter 66. pointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of the town of Cambridge, in Dorchester county, and to establish and regulate a market in the said town, many inconveniencies and injuries may arife; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the forfeitures and penalties im- Forseitures, &c. posed and prescribed by the said twenty-first section of the aforesaid act, so far as the same may repealed, &c. relate to geefe and swine belonging to, and usually kept upon, any plantation or place without the limits of faid town, whether fuch geefe or swine be the property of any inhabitant of the said town, or of any other person, shall be and the same are hereby revoked and repealed, and in lieu of fuch forfeitures and penalties in the cases aforesaid, the owner or owners of such geese and swine shall be liable to forfeit and pay the sum of three-pence for every goose, and one shilling for every hog, so seized and secured, as directed by the aforesaid section of the said act, or by this act, to be retained by the bailiff for his trouble and expence in seizing, securing and keeping the same.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if, in the cases above mentioned, the owner shall not, within Geese, &c. may the space of two days after such seizure, apply for such geese or swine, and thereupon pay the said be sold, &c. bailiff the sum above directed, the bailiss shall, not less than on one day's notice by advertisement at the court-house door, dispose of such geese and swine at public sale, and pay the money arising therefrom to the town commissioners, who shall allow the bailist the sum of nine-pence for every goole, and one shilling and three-pence for every hog, for his trouble and expences as aforesaid, and retain for the benefit of the lown the fum of nine-pence for every goofe, and two shillings and fixpence for every hog, and upon application being made to them, thall pay the balance to the owner or owners, and unless such application be made to the said commissioners, or some one of them, within one month after such sale, or at the next stated meeting of the commissioners, the whole amount of such sales shall be forseited for the use of the town; and all geese or swine, raised or kept within the faid town, and being the property of any person not an inhabitant thereof, shall be liable to be forfeited, in the same manner, and under such circumstances, as they would be under the twenty first section of the act aforesaid, if they were the property of an inhabitant of the said town.

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IV. PROVIDED ALWAYS, AND BE IT ENACTED, That the bailiff shall not be authorised, either Proviso, by virtue of the twenty-first section of the act aforesaid, or of this law, to seize any geese or swine going at large in the faid town, until after the commissioners shall have laid off and ascertained the limits of the faid town, nor unless the same be found going at large in some of the ascertained and opened streets, lanes or alleys of the same.

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