

C H A P. XXXIII.

An ACT to ascertain the allowance to jurymen and witnesses of the general court, and the several county and orphan courts in this state. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 469. Repealed by 1797, ch. 94. Passed, 30th of Dec. 1796.

C H A P. XXXIV.

A Supplement to the act, (a) entitled, An act directing the proceedings against persons guilty of fornication. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 471.

(a) November, 1781, ch. 13.

WHEREAS it frequently happens that the fathers of illegitimate children neglect to provide maintenance for such children, whereby they become chargeable to the county before any process can issue to indemnify the county from such charge, and such remedy, under the existing laws of this state, is frequently attended with considerable delay; therefore, Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That any one justice of the peace within this state is hereby authorized and required, upon the application of the mother of any illegitimate child, or any other person or persons to whose custody such child may have been committed to be maintained, verified by the oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, of such mother or other person, that he, she or they, have not received any sum or sums of money from such father, or either of his securities, his or their, or either of their heirs, executors or administrators, for the use or maintenance of such child, more than credit given, to issue an order, requiring such father, his security or securities, his or their heirs, executors or administrators, to pay to the mother, or other person who shall have the custody of the said child, such a sum of money as may appear adequate for the maintenance of such child, not exceeding thirty dollars per annum, until the said child shall arrive to the age of seven years; and upon proof of the service of such order upon the person or persons to whom the same might have been directed, and demand of payment thereof, and that the money thereon due is unpaid, the clerk of the county court in which the recognizance of such father may be filed, is hereby authorized and empowered forthwith to issue a scire facias on such recognizance, for the use of such mother, or other person entitled as aforesaid, and thereupon such proceedings shall be had as shall bring the matter in dispute fairly to trial at the next term thereafter, without any importance (b) or delay. Justice, on application, to issue an order, &c.

(b) So in the record.

C H A P. XXXV.

An ACT respecting two tracts of land lying in Allegany county, the one called Grassy Cabin, the other called The Desert. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 471. A Private Act.

C H A P. XXXVI.

An ACT to lay out a road from Deep Point, in Cornwallis's Neck, in Charles county, until it shall intersect the public road at the New House, on the head of Mattawoman creek, in said county. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 472.

WHEREAS sundry inhabitants of Charles county, by their petition to this general assembly have set forth, that they sustain great inconvenience for the want of a public road leading from Deep Point, in Cornwallis's Neck, until it shall intersect the public road at a place known by the name of the New House, on the head of Mattawoman creek, in said county, and have prayed that a road may be laid out in said direction; and the prayer thereof appearing reasonable, therefore, Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Thomas M. Dent, James Fenwick, Robert D. Simms, Walter Jameston and Edward J. Pye, or any three of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to survey, lay out and open, at the expence of the petitioners, a road, not exceeding thirty feet in width clear of ditches, from Deep Point, in Cornwallis's Neck, in Charles county, until it shall intersect the public road at a place known by the name of the New House, on the head of Mattawoman creek, in said county, in the discretion (c) which will best suit the situation of the ground; and a plot of the said road, when so surveyed and laid out, shall be returned to Charles county court, to be recorded, and shall for ever thereafter be deemed and taken to be a public highway, and repaired and improved in the same manner as other public roads in the said county. Commissioners appointed, &c.

(c) So in the record.

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