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said parish, and more conveniently situated; and that such other land, when so purchased, shall be made over to the vestrymen and churchwardens, and their successors aforesaid, in trust and for the use and benefit of the minister or incumbent of said parish for ever; provided, that in case the said vestrymen and churchwardens shall not be able to purchase some other land more convenient, as herein before directed, then the said vestrymen and churchwardens shall, and they are hereby empowered and directed to place the money arising from such sale out to interest, upon good and sufficient security, which interest shall be paid yearly to the minister or incumbent of said parish for the time being, and in case of no minister or incumbent, then to the vestrymen or churchwardens thereof, until the purchase aforesaid can be made, which it is nevertheless hereby declared to be the duty of the said vestrymen and churchwardens, or the major part of them, to make, as soon as possible can be done to the advantage and convenience intended.

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An ACT for laying out a road leading from Doctor Ephraim Howard's tilting-forge, in the upper parts of Elk-Ridge, to intersect the public road leading to Elk-Ridge Landing, by William Hobbs's dwelling plantation, in Anne-Arundel county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Anne-Arundel and Montgomery counties, that Doctor Ephraim Howard hath, at a very considerable expence, and with great labour and industry, completed a forge for plating all kinds of ironmongery, on the back parts of Elk-Ridge; that great inconveniences arise for the want of a road from the said forge to Elk-Ridge Landing, from whence the said Ephraim Howard is supplied with unwrought iron for his forge; and it appearing to this general assembly reasonable to encourage the said manufactory, and grant the prayer of the said petition for a public road:

A road to be
laid out, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Doctor Charles Alexander Warfield, Henry Griffith, senior, and Thomas Hobbs, or any two of them, be and are hereby appointed commissioners, and are hereby authorized to lay off a waggon road, twenty feet wide, from the said Ephraim Howard's tilting forge, in the upper parts of Elk-Ridge, in Anne-Arundel county aforesaid, until it intersects the public road leading to Elk-Ridge Landing, by William Hobbs's dwelling plantation, in Anne-Arundel county; which said road, when laid out, shall be a public road, he the said Ephraim Howard cleaning out and clearing the same at his own private expence.

Damage to be
ascertained,
&c.

III. And be it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid shall ascertain and value what damages such road running through any person's land as aforesaid shall amount to, which shall be paid by the said Ephraim Howard, in three months after the said valuation, to the person or persons, or his, her, or their guardian or guardians, suffering such injury and damage.

IV. And