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A bill, entitled, An ACT to establish a road in Worcester county, from the Sinepuxent road, to Walton Purnell and Annanias Hodson's grist mill, and from thence to Freeman's Branch.

**W**HEREAS a great number of the inhabitants of Worcester county have by their humble petition to this general assembly set forth, that there hath been a road for a long time in the said county, leading from the Sinepuxent road to the mill of Annanias Hodson and Walton Purnell, but that the said road never having been made a public road by law, they have of late been deprived of the benefit of the said road, to their great injury and inconvenience; and it appearing to this assembly that the said facts are true, and that the prayer of the said petition ought to be granted, Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Thomas Purnell (Wallop's Neck), James Quinton, William Ironshare, Parker Selby (Brick House), and Isaac Marshall, or any three or more of them, be and are hereby authorized and empowered to lay out a public road twenty feet wide from the said Sinepuxent road, that is, the road leading from Saint Martin's church to Sinepuxent Inlet, to the grist mill of the said Annanias Hodson and Walton Purnell, and from the said mill to Freeman's Branch; which road, when made, shall be a public road, and kept up at the public expence; and that the commissioners aforesaid, or any three of them, shall ascertain and value what damage may be occasioned to any person or persons, by such road its passing through his, her, or their land; which damage, when so ascertained, shall be paid to such person or persons by the said Annanias Hodson and Walton Purnell. Road to be laid out, &c.

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An ACT to confirm a deed of bargain and sale made by John Cannon and Anne Cannon his wife, to Sarah Piner, of and in the lands and premises therein mentioned.

**W**HEREAS John Cannon and Anne Cannon his wife did, on or about the second day of September, in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-five, execute a deed of bargain and sale to the said Sarah Piner, and to the same Sarah Piner an estate in fee simple did convey, in one undivided part of several tracts of land lying and being in Kent county, called Staple's Warren (or Warrant), Tilghman's Choice, and Little Grove, containing one hundred and fifty acres of land: And whereas the said deed was acknowledged before two magistrates of Baltimore county: And whereas there is no endorsement on said deed by the clerk of Baltimore county, that the persons before whom the same was acknowledged were magistrates at the time of taking said acknowledgment, which we are satisfied was the case: And whereas the said deed was recorded among the records of Kent county court, on the fourth day of March, in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-six: And whereas it appears that the sum of one hundred and fifty-four pounds two shillings and two-pence, the full consideration for said land, hath been paid to the said John Cannon: And whereas the said deed is defective in law, there being no certificate that the persons before whom the said deed was acknowledged were magistrates of Baltimore county at the time of taking the same, endorsed on said deed by the clerk of said county: And whereas it is also defective in law, not being enrolled among the records Preamble.

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