

V. And be it enacted, That all weirs and hedges, already made or hereafter to be made upon the water above the town of Bladensburg, so as to obstruct the natural course of the said water, or to cause the said water to overflow any part of the said town of Bladensburg, shall be deemed and taken to be nuisances, and may be abated as such; and any person making, erecting, or fishing, such hedge or weir, after the first day of April next, shall forfeit for every such offence the sum of five pounds current money, to be recovered and applied as aforesaid.

C H A P.  
XV.

Weirs not to be erected above Bladensburg, &c.

C H A P. XVI.

An A C T to ascertain, establish, and perpetuate, the bounds of the public grounds at Queen's-town.

**W** H E R E A S the commissioners of Queen-Anne's county, appointed to sell the court-house and prison, with the public grounds, at Queen's-town, cannot sell or dispose of the same without previously settling the bounds thereof: Therefore,

Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of Queen-Anne's county for laying off the public grounds on Corfica-creek, and for selling the public property at Queen's-town, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to lay off the public ground at Queen's-town, and make a plot of the same, and to take and reduce to writing all evidence and proof to the bounds and location of the said ground, and the same, with the plot by them made, to record among the records of Queen-Anne's county, in perpetual memory of the said bounds and location.

Public ground to be laid off, &c.

C H A P. XVII.

An A C T to empower the justices of Montgomery county to assess and levy a sum of money on the inhabitants of said county, for the purposes therein mentioned.

**W** H E R E A S it appears to this general assembly, that by an act of the convention of Maryland, passed the fourteenth day of August, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six, the justices of said county were authorized and required to assess and levy, with the public and county levy, by three equal assessments, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight, and one thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine, a sum not exceeding thirteen hundred pounds current money, for the purposes of building a court-house and prison in the said county, together with the sheriff's commission for collecting the same; and it appearing to this general assembly, that from the depreciation of the money, that sum is altogether insufficient for the purposes for which it was intended, and that it is reasonable that the inhabitants of said county should have a court-house and prison:

Preamble.

II. Be it therefore enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of Montgomery county are hereby authorized and required to assess and levy, at two equal assessments, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five and one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, a sum not exceeding eight hundred pounds, with the sheriff or collector's commission of five per centum for collecting the same; which said monies, so to be assessed and levied, shall be collected by the sheriff or collector of Montgomery county for the time being, from the inhabitants of said county, in the same manner as other public levies or assessments are

Justices to levy money, &c.