

admit, and are hereby empowered and directed to value and ascertain the damages which shall or may be occasioned by such road to the proprietor or proprietors of such land through which the same shall be so extended, and upon payment or tender of such damages by any person or persons to the proprietor or proprietors aforesaid, the said road shall be deemed a public road and highway.

C H A P.
XXX.

III. **And be it enacted,** That said road, so laid out, and damages ascertained and satisfied as aforesaid, shall be opened and cleared forty feet wide; and the said commissioners are hereby empowered to call on the overseers of said highway to open and clear the same, and that said road be considered as the main road from Elizabeth-town to Patowmack, at the mouth of Conococheague, and under the direction of the court of Washington county.

Road to be
opened, &c.

C H A P. XXXI.

An ACT to suspend the erecting of the public buildings in Caroline county.

Passed January 20.

WHEREAS a petition hath been preferred to this general assembly by many of the inhabitants of Caroline county, praying that the public buildings of the said county may be erected at Choptank bridge; and another petition of many other inhabitants of the same county hath also been preferred to this general assembly, praying that the said buildings may be erected at or near the center of said county; and both of the said petitions have been referred by the house of delegates to the next session of assembly:

Preamble.

II. **Be it enacted,** by the general assembly of Maryland, That the erecting of the public buildings in Caroline county, shall be suspended till the end of the next session of assembly, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Erecting of
buildings sus-
pended.

C H A P. XXXII.

An ACT to alter and amend the laws respecting Charles-town in Cæcil county.

Passed January 20.

WHEREAS the commissioners and other the inhabitants of Charles-town, in Cæcil county, have, by their petition to this general assembly, set forth, that sundry alterations and additions to the laws concerning the said town were necessary to be made: And whereas many parts of the laws heretofore passed for the founding and further regulation of the said town, are found to be insufficient and improper;

Preamble.

II. **Be it enacted,** by the general assembly of Maryland, That the eleventh section of an act, entitled, An act for laying out and erecting a town at a place called Long-point, on the west side of North-east river, in Cæcil county, passed the twenty-ninth day of October, seventeen hundred and forty-two, which directs, that persons taking up lots shall erect buildings on them within three years, on pain of forfeiting their titles to them; also the twenty-first section of the said act, which provides for the succession of the commissioners of said town; also part of the twenty-first section of an act, entitled, A supplementary act to the last above recited, passed the fourth day of June, seventeen hundred and forty-four, which fixes a day for the meeting of the commissioners for the purpose of filling up vacancies; also the twenty-second section of the said act, which appoints a time for the meeting of the commissioners for to view and perpetuate the boundaries of the said town; also the fifth section of an act, entitled, An additional supplementary act first above recited, empowers the commissioners to lease out the marsh appertaining to the said town, be and are hereby repealed.

Part of several
acts repealed.

III. **And be it enacted,** That the present commissioners of the said town, and their successors, be and are hereby constituted a corporate body by the name and description of The Commissioners of Charles-town; that the said commissioners be enabled to sue and to be sued, and have a public seal, with such marks and devices as to them shall seem proper, for the purpose of attesting official papers.

Commission-
ers incorpo-
rated.