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C H A P. XLII.

Limits ascer-
tained.

III. And, whereas by the second section of an act passed November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of swine, goats and geese, in Elkton, in Cæcil county, it is enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons, inhabitants of said town, after the first day of April next ensuing, to seize and secure any swine, goats or geese, going at large within the limits of said town, which said limits are not ascertained or described by said law; therefore, **Be it enacted**, That the limits of said town, so far as respects swine, goats and geese, shall be deemed and construed to be half a mile each and every way from the market-house of said town.

Swine, &c.
may be taken
up, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That if any swine, goats or geese, shall be found going at large in said town, or within the limits aforesaid, or shall break into and be found within any enclosure, not belonging to the owner of such swine, goats or geese, within one mile of said market-house, it shall and may be lawful for any person to take up and impound said swine, goats or geese; and the person impounding them shall give notice to the owner if known, and if not known, the person so impounding shall give notice thereof, within six hours, to the clerk of the market, who shall view and examine said swine, goats or geese, and advertise the same at the market-house, and at the several public houses in town, describing their number, colour and marks, both natural and artificial, and shall cry, or have them cried, at the market-house, at market-hours; and if the owner or owners shall appear in twenty-four hours after such crying, and pay the sum of one shilling for each hog or goat, and four-pence for each goose, they shall be released, but if the owner shall not pay the sum aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the clerk of the market, and he is hereby directed and required, to advertise said swine, goats or geese, to be sold at public sale; and the person impounding shall keep them thus impounded for not less than six days, and unless the owner or owners shall appear within said six days, and pay the sum of five shillings for each hog or goat, and one shilling for each goose, they shall be sold at public vendue by the clerk of said market, at the market-house; and the money arising from said sale, after paying every expence, shall be paid over to the commissioners of said town, for the use of the said town.

How fines,
&c. are to be
recovered,
&c.

V. And be it enacted, That all fines, penalties and forfeitures, imposed by or incurred under the act to which this is an additional supplement, shall and may be recovered before a justice of the peace of the said county, in the same manner as small debts are recovered, and when recovered, shall be applied to the use of the town of Elkton, at the discretion of the commissioners.

An act repeal-
ed.

VI. And be it enacted, That an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of swine, goats and geese, in Elkton, in Cæcil county, shall be and is hereby repealed.

C H A P. XLIII.

Passed De-
cember 28.

An ACT to provide a summary mode of recovering the possession of lands and tenements holden by tenants for years, or at will, after the expiration of their terms.

Lessors, after
notice, may
complain to
any two jus-
tices, &c.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases where lands, tenements or messuages, are let or leased for one or more years, or at will, and the lessor or lessors, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, shall be desirous to have again and repossess the said lands, tenements or messuages, after the expiration of the term or estate for which they were demised, let or leased, and for that purpose shall give notice in writing to the tenant or tenants in possession to remove from and quit the same, if the said tenant or tenants in possession shall refuse to comply therewith within one month after such notice, and upon the end and determination of the said lease or estate, upon complaint thereof made by the said lessor or lessors, his, her or their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, to any two justices of the peace of the county wherein the

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