

C H A P. XII.

thereupon proceed to assess and value the damages accordingly, of which the said petitioners, or some one of them, shall have at least five days previous notice, and such inquisition shall be final and conclusive between the parties.

Road not to go through buildings, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That the said commissioners shall not lay out or open the said road through the buildings, gardens, orchards or meadows, of any person or persons, without his, her or their consent.

C H A P. XIII.

Passed December 26.

An ACT to revive and aid the proceedings of the orphans court of Calvert county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that the orphans court of Calvert county stood adjourned until the second Tuesday in February, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, and that no one of the justices of said court attended to call the same according to adjournment as aforesaid, whereby all process and proceedings in the said court were discontinued; for remedy whereof,

Rules, &c. revived, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all the rules, judgments, entries, acts, process and proceedings, depending in the said court on the second Tuesday of February aforesaid, shall be and are hereby revived, and shall be in the same state and condition, to all intents and purposes, as the same would have been in if the said court had met on the said second Tuesday of February last, and the said rules, judgments, process and proceedings, had been duly continued by regular and lawful adjournments from time to time.

And made valid.

III. And, whereas the justices of said court, notwithstanding the discontinuance aforesaid, have since transacted the ordinary business of said court; therefore, Be it enacted, That all the rules, judgments, entries, acts, process and proceedings, made and rendered by the justices of said court since the said second Tuesday of February last, either in cases then depending or since commenced, shall be and are hereby made as valid and effectual as if the said court had met at the time to which the same stood adjourned.

C H A P. XIV.

Passed December 26.

An ACT to alter the mode of collecting the county tax in Harford county.

County divided, &c.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Harford county shall and is hereby divided into four districts, in the manner following, to wit: Deer Creek upper, Deer Creek middle, Deer Creek lower, and Broad Creek hundreds, shall form the first district; Harford upper, Harford lower, Spesutiae lower, and Susquehanna hundreds, shall compose the second district; Spesutiae upper, Bush River upper, and Bush River lower hundreds, shall compose the third district; and Gunpowder upper, Gunpowder lower, and Eden hundreds, shall form a fourth district.

Justices to meet, &c.

II. And be it enacted, That the justices of the levy court in and for the said county shall, on the first Monday in May next, or within ten days thereafter, and annually on the same day, or within ten days thereafter, meet at the courthouse in said county, and then and there appoint four fit and discreet persons as and for collectors; that is to say, one collector for each district, who shall be residents of said county for one year next before their said appointments, and have a freehold therein.

Persons appointed to have notice, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That each person who shall be appointed collector as aforesaid shall have notice of his appointment as soon as conveniently may be by the said justices of the peace, and shall, within ten days thereafter, appear before the justices aforesaid on a day by the said justices to be appointed, and then enter into bond before the said justices, with two sufficient securities, which said principal and securities shall each be seized in fee of a clear real estate to the full value