

C H A P.
XIX.
Who shall
cause a survey
to be made,
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III. And be it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid, or a major part of them, shall, on or before the first day of August next, cause a correct and accurate survey and plot to be made of said streets, and the respective lots, pieces or parcels of ground, through which they shall pass, certified under the hands and seals of the said commissioners, or a major part of them; and the said plot shall be recorded amongst the records of the territory of Columbia as soon as conveniently may be thereafter, there to remain as evidence of the location of said streets, which several streets, so to be laid out in pursuance of this act, shall be highways, and be so deemed and taken to all intents and purposes whatsoever; provided nevertheless, that the corporation of George-town, when in common-hall assembled, or a majority of them, are hereby vested with full power and authority, immediately after such streets are located and continued, to cause a valuation to be made of the damage which any person or persons shall sustain by reason of the continuation of any of said streets through his, her or their lot or lots, or piece or parcel of ground, and cause the same to be recorded by their clerk; and if any proprietor or proprietors of any lot or lots, piece or parcel of ground, so as aforesaid valued, conceive him, her or themselves injured by such valuation, he, she or they shall, upon application in writing to the mayor of George-town for the time being, at any time before the first day of January, seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, be entitled to a second valuation of the injury done thereto; and the said mayor shall and he is hereby authorized and empowered to command the sheriff of George-town, immediately on such application, to summon twelve good and lawful men, not residents nor holders of real property in said Beall's addition to George-town, to appear on the premises before him on a certain day, then and there, on oath, to value and ascertain such damage, and make return thereof to him under their hands and seals, and the said mayor shall cause a record to be made of the same; and no person or persons shall have the benefit of a second valuation, unless application as aforesaid is made before the year seventeen hundred and ninety-seven; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken to affect the right of any infant, feme-covert, or person non compos mentis, or beyond sea, from appealing from the first valuation, and having a second valuation according to the provisions of this act, if he, she or they, shall prosecute the same within six months after such disability shall be removed; and that demand for payment of the amount of the damage so ascertained shall be made by the respective owner or owners claiming the same, or his, her or their agent or attorney, in writing, of the mayor aforesaid, and if the damage so assessed is not paid within sixty days next after such demand made, then and in such case the respective owner or owners of any such lot or lots shall again hold and possess the said lot or lots, and be seized of his, her or their former interest and estate therein, any thing in this law to the contrary notwithstanding.

C H A P. XX.

An ACT to empower Samuel Maffit, late sheriff and collector of Cæcil county, and Thomas O'Bryon, late sheriff and collector of Queen-Anne's county, to collect balances due them.

Passed December 24.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Samuel Maffit, late sheriff and collector of Cæcil county, and Thomas O'Bryon, late sheriff and collector of Queen-Anne's county, that from certain causes they have been unable to make their collections for the year seventeen hundred and ninety-four in due time, and they have prayed that a further time be allowed them to make their collections, and it appears from the special circumstances existing in their cases reasonable and just that a further time be allowed them; therefore,

Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Samuel Maffit and Thomas O'Bryon respectively, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to collect, on or before the first day of October next, all sums of money due to them respectively, as sheriffs and collectors for the year seventeen hundred and ninety-four, in manner following, to wit: That the aforesaid sheriffs

S. Maffit, &c.
may collect,
&c.