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XVI.

such road shall be surveyed and laid out agreeably to the intentions of this act, the said court shall direct the application for such road, and the order and proceedings thereupon, and the return of the surveyor, to be enrolled among their records, and thereupon and thereafter such road shall be deemed and considered to be a public road, and shall be kept up and repaired, like other public roads in the said county; provided nevertheless, that no old road, so to be affected by this act, shall be stopped up until the new road shall be viewed, examined and received, by two justices of the peace, to be appointed by the said court; and provided also, that such new road shall be laid out, made and completed, at the proper expence of the parties applying for the same; and provided further, that no such application shall affect the lands of infants, persons *non compos mentis*, or persons beyond the limits of this state, until the said disabilities shall be removed.

Penalty on persons altering, &c. any road.

XVI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person or persons shall alter or change, or in any manner obstruct or encroach upon, any of the said roads, or any part or parts thereof, or cut down, destroy or injure, any of the bridges, causeways, boundaries, marks or directions therein or thereon, without the licence of the justices of the levy court obtained as aforesaid, every such person or persons, being thereof convicted in the county court, shall forfeit and pay a fine, in the discretion of the court, not exceeding the sum of one hundred dollars, according to the nature and degree of the offence.

Acts repealed, &c.

XVII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That from and after the said first Monday in April next, all and every act and acts of assembly, and every clause and section thereof, which may respect the public roads of Caroline county, be and the same are hereby repealed; provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall be construed or taken to affect any private act or acts of assembly granted upon the application of any particular individual, or the act of assembly passed at October session, in the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty-three, entitled, An act for repairing the public roads in this province, or any act or acts of assembly for the building or repairing of any bridge or bridges that are built or maintained at the public or county charge.

C H A P. XVII.

An ACT for the support of John Thompson.

Passed Jan. 15.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Raphael Thompson, of Frederick county, by his petition to this general assembly has set forth, that he has, among other children, a son who now is a young man, who is insane, and that he the said Raphael Thompson, father of John Thompson, is not able to maintain him, and prays that an act may pass to provide for the support of the said son, out of the poor-house; and the facts stated in the said petition appearing true,

Justices to levy money.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the justices of Frederick county shall and they are hereby empowered, at their levy courts annually, so long as they may see cause, to assess and levy on said county a sum of money, not exceeding thirty dollars, for the support and maintenance of the said John Thompson.

C H A P. XVIII.

An ACT for making valid a corrected certificate of land therein mentioned.

Passed Jan. 15.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Joshua and Jacob Lemmon, executors of the last will and testament of Jacob Lemmon, late of Baltimore county, deceased, that a certificate for a tract of land called Springfield Enlarged, made out for their father, Jacob Lemmon, senior, in his life-time, was by him, the said Jacob Lemmon, senior, placed in the land-office in order to obtain a patent therefor, and that the chancellor of the state of Maryland did order and decree, that the said certificate should be corrected by the surveyor of Baltimore county: And whereas it appears that the said Jacob Lemmon did, in the intermediate time between the order for correcting the said certificate and the time limited by the act of assembly in that case made and provided for returning all corrected certificates, depart this life, nevertheless that the said corrected certificate was presented to the examiner-general for his examination within the time so as aforesaid limited by the said act, but by him, the said examiner-general, omitted to be returned to the land-office in time: And whereas the said corrected certificate cannot be received in the said land-office, unless an act pass this general assembly for making valid the same; therefore,

Certificate to be received, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the said corrected certificate, so as aforesaid made out in the name of Jacob Lemmon, senior, deceased, and dated the seventeenth day of November, seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, and examined and passed by the examiner-general on the fifth day of September, seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, for the said tract of land called Springfield Enlarged, be and the same is hereby ordered and directed to be received into the land-office of the western shore of this state, and the same, when so received, shall have the same effect and operation in law and equity as if the same had been originally returned and received agreeably to the said act of assembly in such case made and provided, any thing in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provide.

III. PROVIDED ALWAYS, AND BE IT ENACTED, That nothing in this act shall be construed or taken in anywise to affect the right or title of any person or persons whatsoever already acquired to the said tract of land, or any part thereof, by means of the said corrected certificate's not having been returned in time, or by any other ways or means whatsoever.

IV. AND, whereas the said Joshua and Jacob Lemmon, executors of the said Jacob Lemmon, senior, deceased, and Susanna, Elizabeth and Sarah Lemmon, children and devisees of the said Jacob Lemmon, deceased, did, on the twenty-second day of October, seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, obtain a warrant of resurvey to affect the said tract of land, for the express purpose