

C H A P.
LXVII.
Location re-
pealed, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the location made by the commissioners under the law to which this is an additional supplement; or under any other act supplementary thereto, is hereby repealed and declared to be null and void, and that John Partridge, Nicholas Merryman, of Elijah, Thomas Gorsuch, of Loveless, Richard Britton and George Harryman, or any three of them, are hereby appointed commissioners to examine, survey, lay out and mark, a road from Gravelly-hill, near the city of Baltimore, in a direction towards Liberty-town, to the Frederick county line, at or near Philemon Barne's plantation, of the width of sixty-six feet, in a straight line as the nature of the ground will permit, running the said road by Randall's-town, crossing the falls at Allen's mill, thence by Nathan Randall's tavern, on the north side thereof, and by Little's tavern, on the south side of the same; and the said commissioners are to consider not only the distance, but the situation and goodness of the ground on which the said road is to pass.

Courses to be
returned, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners appointed to examine, survey and lay out, the aforesaid road, after they shall lay out and mark the same, are hereby directed to return the courses and plot thereof to the clerk of Baltimore county court, which shall be by him recorded, and the said road, when so laid out, shall for ever afterwards be held and adjudged, in all courts of law and equity, a public road and common highway.

Allowance to
commissioners.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners so attending on the location of the said road, shall have and receive for their services the sum of two dollars per day to each commissioner; and the levy court of Baltimore county are hereby authorised and empowered to assess and levy the same on the assessable property in said county.

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Passed 7th of
January, 1804.

An ACT authorising the city commissioners to open and extend Water-street in the city of Baltimore.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, that one of the butments of Water-street bridge, over Jones's Falls, stands on part of a lot of ground belonging to Thorowgood Smith, that the said lot is now enclosed, which renders the bridge entirely useless, except for foot passengers, to the great inconvenience and detriment of the community, and particularly to the proprietors of houses and lots in Water-street and King-George-street, in the immediate vicinity of the said bridge, and praying that a law may pass to open and extend Water-street to the said bridge: And whereas the mayor and city council of Baltimore have, by their ordinance, bearing date the twenty-second day of March last, appropriated to this desirable object the sum of five hundred dollars, out of the funds belonging to the city, which sum is inadequate to the purpose; therefore,

Commissioners
to open Water-
street, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the city commissioners shall and they are hereby authorised and empowered to lay out, open and extend, Water-street, to the said bridge, in a straight line drawn from the north side thereof, through Thorowgood Smith's lot and Griffith Evans's lot, until it intersects Water-street at the south-east corner of a two story brick house now occupied by John Stickney, and company; and the said street, when so opened and extended, and the valuation and assessment herein after directed to be made shall have taken place, shall be deemed and taken, and is hereby declared, to be a public street and highway for ever thereafter; and the said commissioners are hereby required to return a plot of the said part of Water-street, so opened and extended, to the register of the city, who shall receive and file the same as part of the plot of the city of Baltimore.

Sheriff to sum-
mon freehold-
ers, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the sheriff of Baltimore county, after having given at least ten days previous notice in one or more of the news-papers published in the city of Baltimore, shall, at any time before the first day of March next, summon twelve disinterested freeholders, inhabitants of the said city, to meet on the premises, who, being first sworn to assess and value what damages shall be sustained by any person or persons whomsoever, by reason of the opening and extending the aforesaid street, taking all benefits and inconveniencies into consideration, and also the said sum of five hundred dollars granted to them by the corporation, shall proceed to assess and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons whomsoever by opening and extending the said street, and shall also ascertain and declare what sum of money each individual benefitted thereby shall respectively contribute and pay towards compensating the person or persons injured by opening and extending the said street, and the names of the person or persons, and the sums of money which they shall respectively be obliged to pay, shall be returned, under their hands and seals, to the register of the said city, to be filed in his office; and the person or persons benefitted by the opening