

shall be collected as the county charges are, and paid over to the said Arthur Thompson, or his order.

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An ACT extending the time for taking the bond of the sheriff of Montgomery county.

Passed 7th of January, 1804.

WHEREAS it is provided by an act of the general assembly, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, entitled, An act for the amendment of the law in certain cases, that the sheriffs bonds shall hereafter be taken on some day between the eighth of October and the first day of January in each year: And whereas Benjamin Ray, junior, the sheriff elect for Montgomery county, hath not entered into bond agreeable to the above recited act, therefore,

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II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the time for taking the bond of the sheriff of Montgomery county be extended to the first day of February next, and that if the said sheriff shall, at any time before or on the first day of February next, give a bond, agreeably to the provisions of the said recited act, the said bond shall have the same effect, to all intents and purposes, as if the said bond had been taken on or before the time prescribed by the said law.

Time extended, &c.

C H A P. XCIX.

An ACT authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for opening and clearing the road to be opened from Westminster, in Frederick county, to George-town and the city of Washington.

Passed 7th of January, 1804.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for Jacob Shearman, of Frederick county, James Hood and Beal Owings, of Christopher, of Baltimore county, doctor Charles Alexander Warfield and Samuel Thomas, of Anne Arundel county, and Thomas Davis and Nathan Musgrove, of Montgomery county, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery, to raise a sum of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets thereof; provided the said Jacob Shearman, James Hood, Beal Owings, of Christopher, doctor Charles Alexander Warfield, Samuel Thomas, Thomas Davis and Nathan Musgrove, or such majority of them as shall undertake to act, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tickets in said lottery, give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of eight thousand dollars, conditioned that they will well and truly apply so much of the money arising therefrom, within six months after drawing said lottery shall commence, as will satisfy the fortunate adventurers for prizes drawn by them, and after deducting the necessary expences incurred in said lottery, shall, within eighteen months from the time the drawing said lottery shall commence, cause the said money to be laid out and expended in opening and clearing the road from Westminster, in Frederick county, to George-town and the city of Washington, in the best manner the sum raised will admit.

A scheme may be proposed, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of said commissioners, or such majority as may act, before they act as such, to lodge such bond in the clerk's office of the general court of the western shore of this state, there to be recorded, and upon such bond, and upon any office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted against the obligors therein, or any of them, or their legal representatives, for any breach or non-compliance with the condition of the same.

Bond to be lodged, &c.

C H A P. C.

An ACT to enable Margaret Hammond and Harriet Hammond, of Baltimore county, to erect a bridge across Patapsco river at a place called Hammond's Ferry.

Passed 7th of January, 1804.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by Margaret Hammond and Harriet Hammond, that they are possessed of a ferry on Patapsco river, which hath been used and enjoyed for many years past by their predecessors, and that if proper encouragement was given, a bridge might be erected over the said river, which would greatly facilitate the intercourse to and from the city of Baltimore to many parts of the state: And whereas the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond have proposed to erect the said bridge, of a sufficient width for carriages to pass and repass at all times and seasons of the year, at their own expence, provided a law was passed enabling them to demand a certain toll from all persons passing and repassing the same; therefore,

Preamble.