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said sheriff to the said jurors administered, shall proceed to condemn a quantity of land, not exceeding half an acre, most convenient and proper for the erection of a ferry-house at said ferry, and shall also inquire who is or are the owner or owners of the said land, what is the value thereof, and what damages such owner or owners will sustain; and the said sheriff shall, immediately after such valuation by the jury, cause the said land to be surveyed and laid out by the surveyor of said county, with good and sufficient boundaries, and to return a certificate thereof, to be recorded among the county records; and the sum of money the said jurors shall adjudge to the owner or owners of such land, shall be assessed by the justices of the levy court of the said county at the time of their making their next county assessment, which shall be collected by the sheriff or collector of said county, in the same manner as the county assessment, and the sheriff or collector shall pay, or tender the same, to the owner or owners of said land; and the justices of the levy court, and their successors, shall be and are hereby vested with an estate in fee-simple in said land, for the use of such county for ever.

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Passed 4th of Jan. 1807.

A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the regulation and improvement of Cambridge, in Dorchester county, and to establish and regulate a market in said town.

Preamble.

THEREAS the powers granted to the commissioners of the town of Cambridge, by the original act to which this is a supplement, are deemed insufficient to authorise the said commissioners to make such regulations and improvements as are absolutely necessary for the well being and benefit of said town; therefore,

Commissioners may make bylaws, &c. II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of the town of Cambridge, whenever they, or a majority of them, shall deem it necessary, shall have full power and authority to make such by-laws, and laws and regulations, as shall effect the following objects within the limits of said town, viz. To prevent the running of horses, and the firing of guns in the streets, the burning of chimaies in dry weather, the continuance of unsafe chimnies, stoves or stove-pipes, and also to make, repair and regulate, footways, to make and keep open drains or sewers, to extend the streets or alleys, to renew the boundaries of the streets or alleys, to remove all nuisances, and also to change the days or hours of market, as they shall think necessary.

Passed 3d of Jan. 1807.

An ACT for the benefit of Elizabeth Webster, of the city of Baltimore.

P. eamble

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Elizabeth Webster, of the city of Baltimore, that her father, Daniel Richardson, died in possession of a piece of ground contiguous to the city of Baltimore, which has since been divided amongst his heirs, agreeably to law, and that the aforesaid petitioner was heretofore married to a certain William Webster, who, about three years since, left her, and their children, without the means of support; to enable her to discharge her maternal duty, she has prayed this general assembly to empower her to dispose of her part of the aforesaid property, and the prayer of the petitioner appearing reasonable, therefore,

E. Webster may lease land, &c. II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Elizabeth Webster, and she is hereby authorised and empowered, to rent or lease the said piece of land for any term, not exceeding fifteen years, and to receive the profits thereof, to and for her own use and benefit, and in case of her death before the expiration of the said term, the profits arising from the same to be applied to the use and benefit of her children; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect the right or title of the said William Webster to the profits aforesaid, or any part thereof, which shall not have been paid to the said Elizabeth Webster, or to the use and benefit of her children, should the said William Webster return and claim the same.

C H A P. LXVIII.

Passed 3d of Jan. 1807.

An ACT to lay out, open and improve, the road leading from Hancock, in Washington county, to Cumberland, in Allegany county.

Commissioners BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John Johnson, of Washington county, appointed, &c. B and Thomas Pratt and Joshua Wilson, of Allegany county, be and they are hereby appointed