

1806. NOVEMBER. LAWS OF MARYLAND.

C H A P. XCI. which improvements shall be ascertained and determined by three disinterested persons chosen by the parties, or by the bills and receipts of the workmen.

C H A P. XCII.

Passed 4th of Jan. 1807.

An ACT to provide for the making an alteration in the road therein mentioned.

Justices to examine the road, &c.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the levy court of Baltimore county, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised to examine that part of the road leading from Baltimore to Belle-Air which runs from Thomas Kell's house, in Baltimore county, northward, to the next turn or course of said road, as last run out by the commissioners appointed for that purpose, and if, in the opinion of the said justices, or a majority of them, that part of said road can be altered with little inconvenience to the public, they are hereby authorised to make an alteration therein, so as to cause the said road to intersect the one first opened, and now in use, northward of the branch running near said Kell's house, and the said justices shall cause a plot of the said alteration of said road to be made and filed with the original plot thereof, and the part of said road, so to be laid out, shall be, when opened by the said Kell, a public highway, as other parts of it are, and the former course of said road, which may be departed from in pursuance of this act, shall not be considered or opened as a part of the said road.

C H A P. XCIII.

Passed 4th of Jan. 1807.

An ACT to prevent swine and geese from going at large in Frederick-town, in Cæcil county.

No Swine, &c. to go at large, &c.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first day of June next, no swine or geese belonging to the inhabitants of Frederick-town, or to the inhabitants of Cæcil county living within one quarter of a mile of said town, shall be suffered to go and remain at large in said town, or within one quarter of a mile of said town, in said county; and if any swine or geese belonging to the inhabitants as aforesaid shall be found going and remaining at large within the said town, or within one quarter of a mile of said town, in said county, it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons to impound the same, and if impounded, such person or persons shall immediately give notice, by advertisements set up at the most public places in the said town, describing the swine or geese so impounded, and if the owner or owners shall not, within five days after the setting up of said advertisements, prove his or her property therein, and make compensation for the injury, if any, which may have been sustained by any inhabitant of said town or county, to be ascertained by any two disinterested persons, inhabitants of said town, and shall not pay for every such swine the sum of twenty-five cents for every day it shall have been impounded, and for every such goose the sum of six and an half cents for every day it shall have been confined, it shall and may be lawful for the person or persons, so impounding or confining as aforesaid, to sell, or kill the same for his or her benefit.

General issue pleadable, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person shall be sued for killing or selling any swine or geese, so impounded or confined, in Frederick-town as aforesaid, such person may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence.

C H A P. XCIV.

Passed 4th of Jan. 1807.

An ACT making compensation to the criers of the court of appeals, and the sheriffs attending the said courts for the preservation of order therein.

Compensation to criers, &c.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the criers appointed, or to be appointed, by the court of appeals, and the sheriffs who are or shall be appointed to attend the said court for the preservation of order therein, shall be entitled to receive at the following rates for their attendance on the said courts on the western and eastern shores respectively; that is to say, each of the said criers shall receive the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per day he shall attend the said court, and each of the said sheriffs shall receive the sum of three dollars and fifty cents for each day he shall attend the said court.

Judges to give a certificate, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the judges of the said court, or a majority of them, shall, at the end of each of the sessions of the said courts, under their hands, give to the said criers and sheriffs respectively a certificate, expressing the number of days the said criers and sheriffs have attended