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said county clerk; and in case the said wreckmaster shall neglect or refuse to give the said new CHAP. bond as required by the said county court, then and in such case the said wreckmaster shall be, and XIX. he is hereby declared to be, in the same situation as if no bond had been given by him.

C H A P. XX.

Passed 18th of January, 1808. Marriage declared void, &c.

An ACT annulling the marriage of Patrick Sim and Ariana Sim. E IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the marriage of the said Patrick Sim, D and Ariana his wife, heretofore solemnized, be, and the same is hereby declared to be, absolutely and to all intents and purposes null and void, and the said Patrick Sim, and Ariana his wife,

are hereby declared to be divorced a vinculo matrimonii; provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to illegitimate any issue of the said Patrick Sim, and Ariana his wife,

born prior to the passage of this act.

C H A P: XXI.

Passed 18th of January, 1808. l'reamble.

An ACT to lay out a certain road in Harford county.

THEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harford county, that it would be to the advantage of the inhabitants of said county that a road should be laid out from the road leading from Belle-Air to Havre-de-Grace to a place known by the name of Barnes's Fishery and Landing, on the river Susquehanna; therefore,

Commissioners appointed, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That William Smith, Roger Boyce and Samuel Jay, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised and empowered to review the private road now leading from the Belle-Air and Havre-de-Grace road to a place known by the name of Barnes's Fishery and Landing, on the river Susquehanna, and to survey, mark and bound the same, not exceeding one perch and one half perch in width; or should the aforesaid commissioners be of opinion that a new road would be of greater benefit to the inhabitants of said county, then the aforesaid commissioners, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised and empowered to lay out, survey, mark and bound the same, with as little possible damage or injury as may be, not exceeding one perch and one half perch in width, beginning at the north end of Juniata-street, in the town of Havre-de-Grace, thence on the best ground and in the straightest direction to the said Barnes's Fishery and Landing; provided, that the said road shall not be opened through the gardens, yards or orchards, of any person or persons, without his, her or their consent.

Damage to be estimated, &c.

III. And BE IT ENACTED, That the aforesaid commissioners, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to estimate the damage that may be sustained by any personor persons through whose land the said road may pass, and make a return thereof, together with a plot of said road, to the levy court of Harford county, to be there recorded; which said road shall be opened, kept opened and repaired, the expense whereof, and all damages sustained and expenses: occasioned by laying out said road, shall be paid by the owner or owners of the said Barnes's fishery and landing, before the opening of said road.

Road not to be

IV. And BE IT ENACTED, That it shall not be lawful for any person to stop up, change, or instopped up &c. any manner obstruct, said road, under the penalty of twenty dollars for every such offence.

Commissioners allowance, &c.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners herein appointed, and the surveyor, shall receive the sum of two dollars for every day they shall attend to discharge the duties required by this act, which shall be paid as other charges thereon arising.

Passed 15th of January, 1808.

Preamble.

C H A P. XXII. An ACT for the benefit of Alfred Jones, of Queen-Anne's county.

HEREAS Alfred Jones, a native of the kingdom of Great-Britain, now a resident of Queen-Anne's county, sometime in the year eighteen hundred and five, came to this state with a bona fide intention of residing therein, and has bargained for a valuable tract of land; therefore,

Conveyances to have effect, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all conveyances that may be made or executed to the said Alfred Jones, touching or concerning the aforesaid tract of land, or any other real estate which the said Alfred Jones may contract for or purchase, shall have the same effect, operation and validity, as if the said Alfred Jones had been naturalized at the time the same shall be executed or entered into; provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to