

CHAP. 63.

Proviso

at the several periods therein limited, and in all respects have the same operation as if the same had been by the said Thomas Carter, deceased, executed, acknowledged and recorded, agreeably to the acts of assembly in such case made and provided; *Provided always*, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to affect the rights of any person having claims upon the estate of the said Thomas Carter, deceased, or to prejudice the rights of any purchaser of any of the said negroes under a *bona fide* sale.

CHAP. LXIV.

Passed Jan 15 1820. An Act for keeping in repair the Public Roads in Worcester County, and to repeal certain parts of the Acts of Assembly therein mentioned.

Parts of an act repealed

1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the fifth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, thirty-first, thirty-second, thirty-third, thirty-fourth, thirty-fifth, thirty-sixth, thirty-seventh, thirty-eighth, and thirty-ninth sections, of an act of assembly, passed at December session eighteen hundred and seventeen, entitled, An act relating to the public roads in Worcester county, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Supervisors to direct hands what tools or implements they shall carry to work with, &c

2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of each supervisor to direct the hands what tools or implements they shall carry on the road to work with, and to make such commutation of labour for team, and carts or wagons, at the time of such notice as he may think proper; and to appoint an early hour in each day to commence working on the road, and to continue the hands, when necessary, to a late hour in each day, and to see that each hand does his duty on the road; any person neglecting to meet, or refusing to obey the reasonable commands of the supervisor aforesaid, such hand, or the owner of such hand, or the person under whom such hand may be sent, shall moreover be liable to be fined not exceeding seventy-five cents, nor less than fifty cents, to be recovered and applied as in section six of an act, passed at December session eighteen hundred and seventeen, relating to the public roads in Worcester county.

To direct free persons of colour to labour in repairing roads

3. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the supervisor to direct each free male person of colour, above the age of twenty-one years, and under the age of fifty years, residing within his district, to meet upon the day and at the place appointed for such purpose by the supervisor aforesaid, and to labour in repairing the said public roads, under the same regulations and penalties as other persons.

Levy court to offer to the lowest bidder districts of roads, &c.

4. *And be it enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful for the justices of the levy court of Worcester county, on a day appointed for that purpose, by three weeks previous notice by advertisement set up at the court-house door, also at the most public places of the neighbourhood the roads of which may be affected by the provisions of this act, to proceed to offer at public sale, to the lowest bidder, the whole, or one or more districts of the public roads in said county, as to them in their discretion may seem expedient.

To levy ten dollars as compensation for supervisors, &c.

5. *And be it enacted,* That the levy court of Worcester county shall, at their first levy in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-one, and at their annual levy in every year thereafter, levy and assess on the assessable property in said county, the sum of ten dollars for every supervisor by them appointed, which said sum of