

## CHAP. 32.

Passed Jan 6, 1821  
Preamble

Time extended  
for taking bond

An Act extending the time of taking the Sheriff's Bond of Cecil County.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that owing to the impossibility of getting a meeting of the orphans court of Cecil county, William Moffit, sheriff of said county, has been prevented from executing his bond as sheriff aforesaid, within the time limited by law; Therefore,

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said William Moffit, Sheriff of Cecil county, to give or execute his bond as sheriff aforesaid, any time before the twenty-fifth day of February next, and the justices of the orphans court of said county are hereby required and directed, to take said bond accordingly, which shall be deemed and considered as valid and effectual, as if the same had been done by the time limited by law, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

## CHAP. XXXIII.

Passed Jan 5, 1821

Preamble

An Act ceding to the United States the jurisdiction of the State of Maryland in, to, and over certain lands on North Point, and Bodkin Island, at the Mouth of the River Patapsco, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS by an act of congress of the United States of March the third eighteen hundred and nineteen, and an act of May the fifteenth eighteen hundred and twenty, authorising the building, erecting, &c. light-houses on the Bodkin and North Point in the state of Maryland, and elsewhere; And whereas it has been represented to this legislature, by the agent of the United States for the erection of the light-houses aforesaid, that difficulties have been opposed to the execution of the work aforesaid by the proprietor of North Point, in refusing to dispose of the quantity of land required at a fair and reasonable rate, but demanding an extortionate sum for the land aforesaid: And whereas this legislature duly appreciating the great advantages emanating from the erection of light-houses, and particularly where the navigation is attended with so much difficulty and danger as at the entrance of the river Patapsco, and desirous to promote all in their power to the completion of so desirable an object.

Commissioners  
appointed to de-  
termine value of  
lands, &c

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Thomas Sweeting, James P. Soper, Charles Wirgman, Abner Linthicum, and Stephen S. Johns, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, with power to fill vacancies in their own body, to fix and determine the value of certain land required by the United States for the erection of light-houses on North Point, as authorised by the laws of congress of the third of March eighteen hundred and nineteen, and the fifteenth of May eighteen hundred and twenty; and they, or a majority of them, are hereby, upon giving at least ten days notice in one or more of the public papers in the city of Baltimore, authorised to value and assess the same, taking into consideration the advantages or disadvantages attendant upon the erecting the light-houses aforesaid, on the land aforesaid, and including in said valuation a reasonable allowance for the use and privilege of a road from the land aforesaid through the lands of the said proprietor or proprietors, as the road now exists, towards the public road leading thence