

thereof, shall have effect in law according to the true intent and meaning of the same respectively, and be construed, reputed and adjudged, in all cases most favourably on the behalf and for the benefit of the said trustees, and their successors, so as most effectually to answer the objects and design of this act towards the advancement and promotion of knowledge and virtue.

CHAP. 12.

CHAP. XIII.

*An Act to revive and make valid the Proceedings of the Orphans Court of Saint Mary's County.* Lib. TH. No. 4, fol. 243. Passed Jan 2, 1815

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all and every bill, process and proceeding, in the orphans court of Saint Mary's county, and which have been discontinued by reason of the said court not being held or adjourned according to law, shall be revived and continued, and be as valid as if the said court had not been discontinued, and shall stand and remain in the same state and condition as they would have stood had the said court been regularly held and adjourned. Bills, process, &c. revived, and continued

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all proceedings and acts of the said court which have occurred since the discontinuance thereof, shall be and they are hereby made as valid and effective as if the said court had been held and adjourned agreeably to law. Proceedings made valid

CHAP. XIV.

*An Act to confirm and make valid the last Will and Testament of William M. Creery, late of Baltimore County, deceased.* Lib. TH. No. 4, fol. 243. A Private Act. Passed Jan 5, 1815

CHAP. XV.

*An Act to lay out and make public a Road in Baltimore County.* Lib. TH. No. 4, fol. 244. Passed Jan 6, 1815

Supplements, 1815, ch. 35, and ch. 86. See 1815, ch. 154.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Thomas Johnson, Thomas Hillen, Edward Johnson, Nicholas M. Bosley and Joshua Stevenson, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised and empowered to lay out, open and make, at the expense of the petitioners, a road thirty feet in width, from the Warren Manufactory now erecting on Gunpowder Falls, to the York turnpike road, in the best practicable direction, to intersect said turnpike road, the nature of the ground will admit of, and with as little inconvenience to the landholders as possible; and the said road, when so laid out, and the valuation herein after directed to be made shall have taken place, and a plot thereof made out and returned to the clerk of Baltimore county court, to be recorded amongst the records of said county, shall for ever thereafter be deemed a public highway, and kept in repair as other public roads are in said county. Commissioners appointed to lay out a road

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose land the said road shall pass, taking into consideration the advantages and disadvantages, if any, and the same when so assessed shall be paid, or secured to be paid, by the persons applying for said road, to the Damages to be ascertained