

CHAP. 92.

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Proprietors authorized to wharf out their several lots.

Proviso.

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Preamble.

Mayor and City Council to agree for purchase of land for a lazaretto—jury may be summoned in certain cases.

CHAP. XCII.

A Further Supplement to an act, (a) entitled, An act permitting the proprietors of lots binding on the water at the west end of the Basin, in Baltimore-Town, to extend and improve the same. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 176.

(a) 1796 ch. 45.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That each and every of the proprietors of lots binding on and entitled to the privileges of the water at the west end of the city of Baltimore, between Pratt-street and Forest-street, shall be and are hereby permitted to wharf out, extend and improve, the whole front of their several lots respectively, and for such distance as from time to time they may think fit, until they intersect a line drawn from the east side of Light-street to the east side of Forest-street, provided the whole front of each proprietor's lot on said line be extended, and no dock or vacant space left on part thereof; And provided also, that sixty feet of the said wharfs from the east side thereof, when so made out and extended, at the end thereof, shall be deemed, taken and considered, as a public highway for ever thereafter, reserving to the proprietors of the said wharfs the benefit and advantage of the wharfage thereof, under the limitations in the original act, any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

See 1805, ch. 84.

CHAP. XCIII.

An Act for erecting a Lazaretto near the waters of Patapsco, for the reception of persons infected with malignant contagious diseases. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 177.

WHEREAS, to prevent extension of the plague, or other malignant contagious disease which may be imported in this state, is an object of great importance to the welfare and commerce of the citizens thereof, and humanity calls for the protection and care of those who may come into this state afflicted with any plague, or other malignant contagious disease, and that a place proper for their reception should immediately be built; so that they may be kept separate from all other citizens, and thereby prevent as much as may be the extension of contagion: And whereas it is necessary for the building of a lazaretto, that provision should be made for condemning a quantity of land, not exceeding ten acres, if the said land cannot be had by contract; therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the mayor and city council of Baltimore for the time being, to agree for the purchase thereof with the owner or owners of any land on the waters of the Patapsco contiguous to the city of Baltimore, not exceeding ten acres, for the purpose of erecting thereon a lazaretto and store-house, for the reception of infected persons and goods, and of making the necessary gardens and grounds which should appertain to the same; and in case it should so happen that the mayor and city council and the owner or owners of such land as may be deemed necessary for the purpose aforesaid, not exceeding ten acres, cannot agree for the same, or in case the title of such land, or any part thereof, as may be deemed most convenient for the purposes aforesaid, shall be