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1803.

CHAP. XLVII.

*An Act authorising James Wilson, late Sheriff and Collector of Baltimore County, to complete his Collection.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 403.

CHAP. 47.

Passed Jan. 7, 1804.

CHAP. XLVIII.

*An Act authorising the Levy Court of Washington County to open a Road in said County.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 404.

Passed Jan. 7, 1804.

WHEREAS sundry inhabitants of Washington county have petitioned this general assembly for a road, leading from William Bennett's ferry to intersect the old road leading from Hancock-town to Fort Cumberland at George Barnhart's;

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy court of Washington county, if they or a majority of them should think that a road from the said William Bennett's ferry, on Potomac, to George Barnhart's, is necessary or beneficial to the inhabitants of said county, shall have full power and authority to appoint three commissioners to view said ground, and lay off a road, not exceeding twenty feet wide, on the straightest direction the ground will admit of, and have the same surveyed, and plain plots made of the same, and return said plots to the levy court of the county aforesaid, under their hands; and said commissioners shall have full power to bargain and contract with any person or persons over whose land the said road may pass, or adjudge the damage any person or persons may sustain by the said road, and make a return of all contracts by them made for land, or damages adjudged by them by reason of opening said road, to the levy court, under their hands, and the said court may order the same to be recorded, or reject the same, or any part thereof; and the levy court shall levy on the assessable property of Washington county the expense of the commissioners for viewing and surveying said road; and if the levy court shall confirm the said road agreeable to the return of the commissioners, and cause the same to be recorded, the levy court shall then appoint a supervisor or supervisors to clear and open said road, not exceeding twenty feet in width, and may levy the expense of said road upon the assessable property of Washington county; or should the levy court be of opinion that said road is not of public utility, but is only calculated to serve private individuals, in that case the court shall have power to grant said road, on the application of petitioners, the petitioners paying all damages and expense of said road; and if the levy court confirms said road, and have it recorded, it shall then be under the same rules and regulations as other roads are in Washington county.

Preamble.

Commissioners to be appointed to lay off a road—to adjudge damages.

CHAP. XLIX.

*An Act for the benefit of the Congregation of the German or High Dutch Reformed Christian Church in Frederick-Town, in Frederick County.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 405.

Passed Jan. 7, 1804.

See Nov. 1809, ch. 48.

WHEREAS certain lands and tenements, and other property, have been heretofore conveyed in trust for the benefit of the congregation of the German or High Dutch Reformed Christian Church in Frederick-town, in Frederick county, and by reason of the death of some of the trustees, and other causes, doubts have arisen as to

Preamble.