

and place the same to the credit of the commissioners of the school fund for said county. Dec. Ses. 1824

2. *And be it enacted*, That the treasurer of the western shore do forthwith invest by a purchase of stock of the said bank, the sum of eight hundred and twelve dollars and forty five cents, being the balance reported by the treasurer as due to the commissioners of the school fund for Prince Georges county, and the sum of one thousand eight hundred and five dollars and eighty cents, being the balance reported as due to the commissioners of the school fund of Frederick county, and place the same to the credit of the commissioners of the respective counties. For Prince Georges and Frederick counties-

CHAPTER 15.

An act to authorise John L. Jaques to cut a canal therein mentioned in Dorchester County. Passed Jan 10, 1825.

WHEREAS, John L. Jaques of Dorchester county, has petitioned the general assembly of Maryland for a law to enable him to cut a canal between the waters of Fishing bay and Nanticoke river in Dorchester county; *Therefore*,

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That John L. Jaques, be, and he is hereby authorised to excavate, cut, and make a canal from the head waters of Poco creek emptying into Fishing bay to the head waters of Jack's creek, running into Nanticoke river in Dorchester county, of such width and depth as shall be in the opinion of said petitioner most conducive to the object he has in view. Preamble. Authorised to cut.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the said John L. Jaques shall cause the dirt coming out of the proposed canal in excavating the same to be thrown equally on both banks or sides of said canal so as to prevent the water from rising and overflowing the marshes and lands through which the said canal shall pass; and shall also cause a good and sufficient bridge to be constructed over said canal, where the road from Hurley's neck leading to Nanticoke point neck shall cross the same, and always keep said bridge in good order and repair for the accomodation of those travelling on said road. Directions g<sup>o</sup> ven.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the said John L. Jaques shall be, and he is hereby vested with the exclusive and sole right of using said canal, and that it shall not be lawful for any person to use said canal without the permission of said John L. Jaques or impede him in the full enjoyment and use of it. Sole property vested.

4. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorise said John L. Jaques to make and cut said canal unless he shall previously get the consent of the proprietors of the marshes or lands through which the said canal shall pass. Consent of proprietors.

CHAPTER 16.

An act to confirm the proceedings of certain commissioners appointed to divide Saint Mary's county into five separate election districts, by virtue of an act passed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty two, and confirmed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty three. Passed Jan 7, 1825.

WHEREAS, at December session eighteen hundred and twenty three, certain commissioners, to wit: James F. Sothorn, George Slye, James Miltimore, Briscoe Davis, Thomas Swan, Henry G. Preamble.