

to summon a jury of twelve lawful men of his county, connected to neither party, nor having any lands through which the said road may pass, to appear, on a day to be mentioned in said warrant, on the lands of the person or persons so applying, before him, or some other justice of the peace for said county, the jury having first made oath, before the justice of the peace so attending, that they will, without favour, affection, prejudice or partiality, assess the damages sustained by reason of opening the aforesaid road through the lands of the person or persons applying as aforesaid, shall thereupon proceed to assess and value the damages accordingly.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners shall not lay out or open the said road through the buildings, gardens, meadows or orchards, of any person or persons, without his or their consent.

Road not to be laid out through Buildings, &c.

## CHAP. X.

*An Act to extend the powers of the Trustees of the Poor of Montgomery County.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 214. Passed Jan. 8, 1803

WHEREAS James Haney, by his petition to this general assembly, hath set forth, that he is a very poor man, and is now arrived to the age of eighty-six years, and that by reason of his advanced age and bodily infirmities he is unable to support himself by labour, and prays that an act may pass for his support out of the poor-house; and the prayer of the petitioner appearing reasonable, therefore,

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2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the trustees of the poor of the said county of Montgomery, if they shall be of opinion that the peculiar circumstances of the said James Haney are such as to render a situation in the poor-house particularly unsuitable for him, to support him as an out pensioner, in addition to the number now allowed by the act, (a) entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in the several counties therein designated, and to allow the said James Haney an annual pension, not exceeding thirty dollars, to be paid at such time or times as the said trustees shall direct, the amount of which said pension shall be levied in the same manner as the other expenses of the poor-house in the said county.

J. Haney may be supported as an out-pensioner.

(a) 1799, ch. 65. See 1800 ch. 73.

## CHAP. XI.

*An Act to authorise the Levy Court of Dorchester County to permit a certain part of the public Road leading from the Head of Church Creek to the Town of Cambridge in the said County to be changed.* Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 215. Passed Jan. 8, 1803

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Thomas James Pattison, William Pattison, Richard Keene, Levin Jones and Thomas Woolford, of Dorchester county, that a part of the public road leading from the head of Church creek to the town of Cambridge in the said county is capable of being changed, so as to relieve the said petitioners from the inconveniencies to which they are at present subjected by the said road's passing through their plantations, and at the same time to shorten its distance; that all the proprietors of the land through which the new road as pro-

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