

the commissioners appointed to divide said land report, that the same would not admit of a division without injury to the heirs, when Anne the eldest daughter, and John Beck, her husband, agreed to take the land at the valuation made by the commissioners, and executed bonds to the petitioners for the payment of their proportions of said land, since which time John Beck, the husband of Anne, hath departed this life, and the said Anne, together with the other heirs, have prayed that a law may pass rescinding the contract made by Anne and her husband John Beck; and the prayer of the petitioners appearing reasonable, therefore,

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CLXIII.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the contract made by Anne and John Beck her husband, to take the land of Benjamin Gould, late of Queen-Anne's county, at the valuation made by the commissioners aforesaid, be and the same is hereby rescinded, and the bond given by Anne and John Beck her husband, to Maria Gould, now Maria Nicholson, and John Gould, for the payment of their proportions of the said tract of land, be and the same are hereby rendered null and void.

C H A P. CLXIV.

### An ACT authorising the Levy Court of Cæcil County to open a Road in said County.

Passed December 25, 1810.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the levy court of Cæcil county, if they, or a majority of them, should think that a road commencing on the Nottingham road, between Big Elk Creek and Fair Hill, at or near Robert Cadars's, in New Munster, and running thence by Brick Hill, and in the shortest line that may be, to meet a road leading from the river Susquehanna at or near Robert Cochran's, on the Pennsylvania line, is necessary or beneficial to the inhabitants of said county, shall have power and authority to appoint three commissioners to view said ground, and lay off a road not exceeding thirty 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 lands the said road may pass, or adjudge the damages 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 Cæcil county the expense of the commissioners for viewing and surveying said road, and if the levy court shall confirm 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 thirty feet in width, and may levy the expense of said road upon the assessable property of Cæcil 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 levy court shall grant said road on the application of petitioners, upon their 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 Cæcil county.

C H A P. CLXV.

### An ACT authorising a Lottery to raise a sum of Money for opening and clearing the Road to be opened from Westminster, in Frederick County, to George-Town and the City of Washington.

Passed December 25, 1810.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the act passed at November session, eighteen hundred and three, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for opening and clearing the road to be opened from Westminster, in Frederick county, to George-town, be and the same is hereby repealed.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall and may be lawful for Jacob Shearman, of Frederick county, James Hood and Beale Owings, (of Christopher,) of Baltimore county, Doctor Charles Alexander Warfield, of Anne-Arundel county, Thomas Davis, Nathan Musgrove and Henry C. Gaither, of Montgomery county, or a majority of them, to propose a scheme or schemes of a lottery to raise a sum of money not exceeding four thousand dollars, and to sell and dispose of the tickets thereof; provided, the said Jacob Shearman, of Frederick county, James Hood and Beale Owings, (of Christopher,) of Baltimore county, Doctor Charles Alexander Warfield, of Anne-Arundel county, Thomas Davis, Nathan Musgrove and Henry C. Gaither, of Montgomery county, or such majority of them as shall undertake to act, before the sale or disposal of any ticket or tick-