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CHAPTER 50.

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A Further Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for making certain roads in Baltimore and Harford counties.

Passed Jan 19 1819

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the eighth section of the act to which this is a supplement shall be and is hereby repealed.

Eighth section of an act repealed.

2. And be it enacted, That the company incorporated by said act are hereby invested with all the rights and privileges which are held and possessed by the turnpike company, incorporated by the act, entitled, An act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the District of Columbia to the city of Baltimore, and to be subject to the same penalties, and governed by the like regulations, as are therein prescribed, and to be entitled to the same tolls; and every clause and provision of said last mentioned act, relating to the road therein proposed to be made, shall be construed to apply to the road contemplated in the act to which this is a supplement, so far as the same are applicable.

Invested with certain rights and privileges, &c.

CHAPTER 51.

An act to enable Peter Guillet, senior, of Somerset county, to purchase and hold Real Property within this State.

Passed Jan 19 1819

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Peter Guillet, senior, of Somerset county, shall be and hereby is enabled to take real property in this state, by purchase, and to hold and dispose of the same in like manner as a natural born citizen of the United States; Provided the said Peter Guillet shall become a citizen of the United States, as soon as he conveniently can, according to the laws of the United States provided in such cases.

Enabled to hold real property.

Provided.

CHAPTER 52.

An act to incorporate a Company under the name of The Hydrant Company of Port Tobacco.

Passed Jan 23 1819

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John B. Wills, Jr. John Ferguson, William Vincent, Basil Spalding, Nicholas Stonestreet, Samuel Chapman, Edward Pye, Ignatius Semmes, William Penn, Gustavus Brown, and John Meredith, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politic, for the purpose herein after mentioned; and that the said body politic shall be known and distinguished by the name of The Hydrant Company of Port Tobacco, and shall have full and ample power and authority to do, perform and execute, all and every matter and thing which any similar corporation may or can rightfully do, and shall have perpetual succession, and for that end the individuals composing said company by the passage of this act, and their successors, shall be and are hereby declared to be members thereof, and by the name aforesaid may sue and be sued, answer and be answered, in any court of law or equity in this state.

Persons incorporated.

2. And be it enacted, That the survivor or survivors of the persons above named, shall have full power, whenever any one or more of them shall die or remove from Charles county, or whenever a vacancy may in any manner occur, to elect by ballot, any person or persons residing in Charles county, whom they may judge proper to fill the vacancy or vacancies so occasioned by re-

Vacancies, how to be filled.

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moval, death or resignation, or to elect any additional member or members, if in their judgment they may think proper so to do; who, when so elected, shall have all the power and authority, and stand in the same situation as the persons above named, and hereby created a body corporate, have by this act.

Corporation to
make by-laws, &c.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation shall have full power and authority to make by-laws, rules and regulations, for the well ordering and conducting of the business of the company, and of their meetings, the time and place thereof, and to alter, change and annul the same at their pleasure; and to impose fines and forfeitures upon the members thereof for the violation of such by-laws, and to collect such fines and forfeitures by warrant before a single magistrate; and the said corporation may in their discretion, adopt and make any device or bearing for their public seal, which, when so made and devised, shall be affixed to all warrants and official proceedings, and which, when so affixed, shall be conclusive evidence of the authenticity of such proceedings, except in cases of fraud or violence.

To hold real estate
for erection of the
necessary works,
&c.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation may purchase and hold in fee simple, or otherwise, all such land and real estate suitable for the erection of the necessary works, and that may be necessary in whole or in part for the proper accomplishment of their undertaking, and for that purpose may direct, from the usual course, at such place or places as they shall think fit, the water flowing from the spring near Port Tobacco, on Edward Pye's land, commonly called The Mount Spring, on the said corporation's first obtaining the consent of all persons having any right or interest in said stream of water so to be diverted, or in the lands through which such stream or streams may be intended to pass after being so diverted; and the said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and lay conduits or pipes for the conveyance of said water under ground, and the said conduits or pipes, from time to time to renew and repair, and for such purposes to dig, break up, and open at their own expense, all or any part of the land through which the said pipes are to pass; and shall have full power and authority to establish and raise reservoirs or hydrants for the distribution of said water in the public square of said town, or in such parts of the streets as they may think proper, and to grant to all persons whomsoever the privilege of using the said water so to be introduced, in such manner, and on such terms and conditions, and in such quantities respectively, as they shall think fit; and the said waters so to be introduced and distributed, together with all reservoirs, hydrants, conduits, pipes, engines, building, or machines whatsoever, to be by them made and used for the purpose of introducing, raising and distributing said water, to hold to them the said corporation, and their successors for ever, as their sole and exclusive property.

Persons using wa-
ter and neglecting
to pay tax, to for-
feit treble the sum

5. *And be it enacted*, That if any person or persons who may use the said water so introduced as aforesaid, after being notified by the secretary or such other officer of the corporation as they may find it necessary to appoint, shall refuse or neglect, for one month after such notification, to pay the tax or contribution imposed by them, such person or persons so refusing, shall forfeit and pay to the said corporation treble the sum so required, to be recovered as

aforesaid; and in all cases of actions or suits, either at law or in equity, brought by said corporation for injuries done to the conduits, pipes, reservoirs or hydrants, laid and erected by virtue of this act, upon verdict found against the person or persons so offending, he, she or they, shall in addition to the damages and costs, incur a fine of twenty dollars, to and for the use of said corporation.

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CHAPTER 53.

An act for the benefit of Eleanor Wood, Elizabeth Roberson and Margaret Scott. Passed Jan 23 1819

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* the justices of the levy court of Saint Mary's county shall and they are hereby directed and empowered, at their levy court annually, to levy on the assessable property of said county, so long as they shall see cause, for the support and maintenance of Eleanor Wood, Elizabeth Roberson and Margaret Scott, of said county, a sum of money not exceeding thirty dollars each, and the same when collected shall be paid by the collector of said county to them or their order for the purposes aforesaid. Levy authorized for their support.

CHAPTER 54.

A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to ascertain the allowance to Jurymen and Witnesses of the General Court, and the several County and Orphans Courts in this state. Passed Jan 23 1819

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* from and after the passage of this act, there shall be allowed to each grand and petit jurymen attending Saint Mary's county court, in addition to the sum now allowed, the sum of one dollar for each and every day such grand and petit jurymen shall attend for the discharge of his duty as such, to be allowed, assessed, and levied, in the same manner as the allowance to jurymen has heretofore been assessed and levied. Additional allowance to jurors.

2. *And be it enacted, That* there shall be allowed in all civil cases, to each witness attending the county or orphans court of Saint Mary's county, the sum of fifty cents, in addition to the sum now allowed for each and every day such witness shall attend for the discharge of his duty. Additional allowance to witnesses

CHAPTER 55.

An act for the benefit of John M. Quinn, of the City of Baltimore. Passed Jan 23 1819

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* John M. Quinn, of the city of Baltimore, shall be, and he is hereby declared capable in law, to take and hold any estate or property which his uncle William M. Quinn may transfer to or vest in him by deed or by will, or which in the event of the death of the said William intestate, he the said John M. Quinn would be entitled to if a citizen of this state; and also to act as executor of his said uncle's estate, if thereto appointed, as fully and effectually as if the said John was such citizen, provided he shall become a citizen of this state, when by law he is enabled so to do; *Provided always,* Made capable in law to hold estate of his uncle, &c. Proviso.