

Town of Decatur authorized to be laid out.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That John Lowry be, and he is hereby authorized to lay off a town on his own land, on the south bank of Little Tennessee river, on the high ground immediately below the mouth of Tellico, by the name of Decatur.

Commissioners appointed.

Sec. 5. *Be it enacted*, That Gideon Morgan, jr. Nicholas Byers, Jones Griffin, Thomas M'Cuiston and James Doherty, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners of said town, who together with the proprietor shall proceed to lay off forty acres of land into convenient streets and alleys at the place aforesaid, and are authorized to adopt such measures as by them may be deemed proper and convenient for the purpose of selling the same: *Provided*, always, that said lots shall not be liable to taxation until after they are sold.

Repealing clause.

Sec. 7. *Be it enacted*, That all laws and parts of laws coming within the purview and meaning of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the house of Representatives.

R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 90.

AN ACT the better to define the limits of Humphreys county.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted*, by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the boundaries of Humphreys county shall be as follows, to wit, beginning at the mouth of white oak creek, on the Tennessee river, where the upper line of Stewart county strikes said river, running thence west four miles and a half, thence south, forty-five degrees west, ten miles, and a half, thence due south to a point, that a line due east, intersecting the west boundary line of Hickman county, and the other boundaries of said Humphreys county, heretofore established by law, will include six hundred and twenty-five square miles; thence due east to the west boundary line of Hickman county, thence north and west with the lines of Hickman, Dixon and Stewart as heretofore described by law to the beginning.

Boundaries of Humphreys county established.

Territory thrown off.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That the territory by this description of boundary thrown off from Humphreys

county on the south, shall be, and constitute a part of to belong to Perry county.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 91.

AN ACT for the relief of John Davis.

WHEREAS, it doth appear to this General Assembly, that John Davis, of Davidson county, became entitled to a guard right warrant, issued by the state of North Carolina, to John King, one of the guard, authorized by law to escort the commissioners in laying off the military boundary, in the year 1784, for the lands of the officers and soldiers of the continental line of said state, and that said Davis made a survey on said warrant, agreeably to the then existing laws, there being no office established in which to make entries on said survey, and that he transmitted the same with plat and certificates of survey to the secretaries office of North Carolina, and that the same is so lost or mislaid, that he is not able to find them, and that no grant hath ever issued on the same, as he is advised and believes—therefore:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted* by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the said John Davis or his legal representatives, are hereby authorized to lay his evidence of claim to said warrant of two hundred and fifty acres, issued to John King aforesaid, for his services aforesaid, as one of the guard aforesaid, before the commissioners for the adjudication of North Carolina land claims, and if it should appear to said commissioners, that said King was one of the guard, and that no grant hath ever issued on the claim of said King, or a duplicate thereof, then, and in that case, the said commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to issue unto the said John King, or his legal representatives, or assignee, a warrant for two hundred and fifty acres, which warrant shall authorize the rightful owner to lay the same on any vacant land in this state, and obtain a grant therefor as in other cases: *Provided* nevertheless, that if said commissioners shall issue said warrant, that the same shall only

be liable to satisfaction north and east of the congressional reservation line.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 26, 1920.

CHAP. 92.

AN ACT to authorize the surveyor general of the thirteenth district, to remove his office.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*, That John B. Hogg, surveyor general of the thirteenth district, be, and he is hereby authorized and permitted, to open and keep the surveyors office of said district, at the house of Col. Robert H. Dyer, upon the Forked Deer river, in the north east corner of the tenth district, by giving the notice required by law; any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 25, 1920.

CHAP. 93.

AN ACT authorizing a separate election in the county of Jefferson.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the sheriff of Jefferson county shall, by himself or deputy, on the constitutional days of holding elections, open and hold an election at New Market, north of Bay's mountain, and between Panther creek and the line of Knox county, for the purpose of electing a Governor, members to Congress, electors to elect a President and Vice President, members of the state Legislature, and militia officers, which said election shall be held and conducted under the same rules, regulations and restrictions that other elections for like officers are held in said county.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That it shall and may be

lawful for all persons residing in said tract of county, to vote at said place, or at the court house in said county.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That at the close of said election, it shall be the duty of the judges and returning officers to count out said votes, and on the succeeding day make a return to the sheriff of said county, in the town of Dandridge, of the number of votes received for each candidate, which return shall be received as part of the election of said county.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 26, 1920.

CHAP. 94.

AN ACT to extend the navigation of Stone's River.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the navigation of the west fork of Stone's river, shall extend from its junction with the east fork at Jefferson, up as high as Samuel Bowman's mill, free from obstruction, for the passage of boats, canoes, and every kind of water craft, in the same manner, under the same restrictions, and subject to the same penalties for the obstruction thereof, as are prescribed with respect to the navigation of Stone's river below the junction of the east and west fork at Jefferson. Whereas, an act of Assembly was passed at Murfreesborough on the 16th of November, 1819, to authorize John Buckannon and Moses Ridley, to build a dam across Stone's river, about 12 miles by water, below the forks of said river, for the benefit of a mill; *Provided* the said John Buckannon and Moses Ridley should fix to said dam, locks and gates of sufficient width, so as not to obstruct the free and easy navigation of said river, with boats, rafts, and other water crafts; and whereas, the particular width and length of such locks and gates, were not designated in said act—therefore:

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That the said John Buckannon and Moses Ridley, or their heirs or assigns, shall not incur the penalty in said act mentioned, any part thereof; *Provided* such locks and gates are of sufficient length and width so as not to obstruct the free and easy passage of boats, rafts and other

water crafts, sixteen feet in width, and sixty seven feet in length.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate,
July 26th, 1820.

CHAP. 95.

AN ACT to alter the place of the meeting of the returning officers of the senatorial district composed of the counties of Warren and Franklin.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That the returning officers in the senatorial district, composed of the counties of Warren and Franklin, shall hereafter meet at the town of Hillsborough, in the county of Franklin, for the purpose of comparing the votes for a senator for said district, on the Monday succeeding each and every election for senator, and shall be governed by the same rules, and regulations, as they heretofore have been governed by, in making such returns.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.
July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 96.

AN ACT for the relief of William Good.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee,* That the commissioners for the adjudication of North Carolina land claims, be, and they are hereby authorized, to issue two certificates land warrants, to William Good, for six hundred and forty acres each, on grants number 3850, and 5351, issued by the state of North Carolina, on the 12th day of December, 1797: *Provided* always, that before the said certificates are issued, the said William Good, shall surrender the said two grants, and shall also make full and satisfactory proof, before the said commissioners, that the land mentioned in said grants, cannot be identified, and that there is no such bound-

aries in this state, as those mentioned in said grants, and that there is no such claims and surveys as those which said land is described to adjoin, in the said grants.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.
July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 97.

AN ACT to remove the Surveyor's Office of the third district, from Sparta to the Court House in the county of Marion.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.* That the Surveyor General of the third district, in this state, be, and he is hereby required on or before the first day of September next, to remove his office from the town of Sparta, in the county of White, to the court house, or place of holding courts, in the county of Marion, where said surveyor general shall open and keep his office for the term of twelve months, from and after the first day of September; and after the expiration of one year, the said surveyor shall be authorized to remove his office again to the town of Sparta, to be there kept as heretofore.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate,
July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 98.

AN ACT regulating the times of holding the courts therein named.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That the circuit court for the county of Jackson, shall be holden at the place for holding courts in the town of Gainesboro', on the second and Monday of February and August; the circuit court for the county of Overton, shall be holden at the court

house in Monroe, on the third Monday in February and August.

County court
of Hickman
where to be
held.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That the county court of Hickman county, shall hereafter be holden on the second Mondays in January, April, July and October; and the county courts of Perry county, shall hereafter be holden on the third Mondays in January, April, July and October, in each and every year, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after the first day of November next.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 99.

AN ACT for the benefit of Francis Shaw and William Freeman.

F. Shaw au-
thorized to
retail mer-
chandise
without li-
cense.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That Francis Shaw, he, and he is hereby authorized to retail merchandise within the county of Blount, without paying tax for a licence for that purpose, any law to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided* he shall first apply to the clerk of the county court of Blount county, and make oath that the goods and merchandise he intends retailing are his own, and that he will not sell, or retail goods and merchandise for the benefit of any other person under this act, and thereupon the clerk shall issue to him a licence to hawk and peddle, or sell merchandise within the county of Blount.

W. Freeman
authorized
to hawk and
peddle.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That William Freeman he, and he is hereby authorized to hawk and peddle or retail merchandise in the county of Rutherford, under the same rules and regulations prescribed in the 1st section of this act for Francis Shaw, in the county of Blount.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate,

July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 100.

AN ACT to return the sessions of the circuit courts of Sumner county, to the second Mondays of March and September.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*, That the circuit courts of the county of Sumner, shall hereafter be holden on the second Mondays of March and September, and process otherwise returnable shall be returned at said terms and be good and valid in law.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate,

July 28th, 1820.

CHAP. 101.

AN ACT to authorize Jacob Brown to open, and improve the navigation of Cherokee creek.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*, That Jacob Brown, of Washington county be, and he is hereby authorized, at his own expence, to open and keep up the navigation of such part of Cherokee creek, as lies between the grist mill of said Jacob Brown, and the confluence of said creek with Nolichucky river.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 102.

AN ACT for the relief of Vincent Rust. WHEREAS, it is represented that Vincent Rust purchased a mercantile establishment of David Wallace, of the county of Smith, on the day of February last, and the license which had been obtained by said Wallace had not expired by some eight or nine months, for remedy whereof:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the*

State of Tennessee, That Vincent Rust, he, and he is hereby authorized to vend merchandise in the county of Smith, under the license obtained by David Wallace, for the time of said license yet unexpired, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 103.

AN ACT for the relief of Isaac Walker.
WHEREAS, it appears that said Isaac has paid to the clerk of Dixon county, the tax on license for retailing merchandise; and whereas it appears to the legislature that said tax was paid under a mistake, and under circumstances which make it improper that the said tax should be retained by the state, therefore;

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*, That if the said sum of fifty dollars has been by said Isaac Walker paid over to the clerk of the county court, agreeable to law, it shall be the duty of the clerk to repay said sum to said Isaac Walker, and said clerk shall be entitled to a credit for the same in accounting with the treasurer of West Tennessee, upon his returning said license to said clerk.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 104.

AN ACT for the relief of William F. Brown, and the firm of Erwin and Brown.
WHEREAS, it is made appear that William F. Brown obtained a license to trade as a merchant, from the county court of Maury—and whereas, it is represented that Erwin and Brown have purchased his stock in trade, and must, without legis-

lative aid, obtain a new license—for remedy whereof:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That William F. Brown be authorized to transfer said license to the firm of Erwin and Brown; and that said firm be authorized to trade in said county as merchants the residue of the year without obtaining new license.

JAMES FENTRESS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. WEAKLEY,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 105.

AN ACT to divorce John W. Nichol from his wife Nancy Nichol.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*, That the bonds of matrimony ^{between} heretofore entered into by and between John W. Nichol, of Wilson county, and Nancy Nichol, formerly Nancy Anderson of said county, he, and the same are hereby wholly dissolved.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after the passing thereof, and that the said Nancy shall hereafter be known by the name of Nancy Anderson.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 106.

AN ACT for the relief of Roswell Hall, esq.
WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that Roswell Hall, Esq. obtained a license from the clerk of the court of pleas and quarter sessions for Rhea county, on the first day of January, 1820, authorizing him to sell and vend goods, wares and merchandize within the bounds of Rhea county, for the space of one year; and whereas, the said Ros-

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well Hall removed his stock of merchandize to the county of Marion, and intends selling the same there, and will, of necessity, be compelled to purchase another license in said county of Marion, without having obtained the full benefit intended to be extended by said license; for remedy whereof:

R. Hall authorized to sell Merchandize.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee,* That Roswell Hall, Esq. merchant of the county of Rhea, be, and he is hereby authorized to sell and vend his goods, wares and merchandize in the county of Marion, for the balance of the term for which he the said Roswell obtained said license from the clerk of Rhea county court, without being compelled to procure a license from the clerk of Marion county: any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted,* That in all cases in private ways, the jury of view may make report to the court from which the order issues, and such report shall be as good and effectual in law, as the same would be if returned to the next term of said court.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 107.

AN ACT to fix the times of holding the several courts therein mentioned.

Court of Errors & Appeals when to be held.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee,* That hereafter the court of errors and appeals for the fifth judicial circuit in this state, shall be held on the fourth Mondays in June and December, and sit if necessary for the term of two weeks, and the said court of errors and appeals for the fourth circuit shall commence and be held on the third Mondays in July and January, the terms of which last mentioned court shall continue and be held until the last Mondays in October and April respectively, or until the business on the dockets of said courts shall be finished.

Court to adjourn from day to day

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted,* That the said court during the term last before mentioned, may, and it is hereby

by authorized to adjourn from day to day, or from so as to facilitate to time in such manner, as may best facilitate the business, and expedite the business of said court, and in case of any other court in the county of Davidson intervening, said court may adjourn to, and hold court in any other house within the town of Nashville.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 108.

AN ACT to divorce Elizabeth English from her husband William English, and Elizabeth Handy from her husband Isham Handy.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee,* That the bonds of matrimony now existing, and heretofore entered into by and between Elizabeth English, formerly Elizabeth Tittle, and her husband William English, and the bonds of matrimony now existing and heretofore entered into by and between Elizabeth Handy, formerly Elizabeth Tittle, and her husband Isham Handy, all of Smith county, be, and the same are hereby severally dissolved.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 109.

AN ACT to amend an act passed at Murfreesborough on the day of 1819; authorizing Spencer B. Gibson to open a turnpike road.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That the citizens residing within the bounds of Captain George M. Haynes' company, shall at all times pass and repass the before mentioned turnpike road free from toll, when said road shall be completed; Provided nevertheless, that they and

each of them shall bestow four days labour on said road in each and every year.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.
July 27, 1829.

CHAP. 110.

AN ACT for the relief of George Smith.

WHEREAS, the state of North Carolina, in the year 1783, appointed commissioners to ascertain and lay off a certain tract of country in what is now the state of Tennessee, within which the officers and soldiers of the American revolution of said state, were to obtain their lands for their military services, and the said commissioners were also authorized to raise a sufficient guard of men to carry the same into effect, which guard were authorized to receive land in proportion to their rank and command, as pointed out by law. It doth further appear, by the certificate of General Griffith Rutherford, one of the said commissioners, which certificate bears date March 30th, 1784, that George Smith served as one of the guard under Captain Looney, in performing the above business; and it is also stated, that said George Smith hath never obtained any pay in land or otherwise, for said service, except from a transfer of his certificate herewith shown—for remedy whereof:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee,* That the legal representative or assignee of the said George Smith, is hereby authorized to lay the said certificate before the board of commissioners for the adjudication of land claims, and if it shall appear to them that the said certificate is genuine, and that no warrant hath ever issued to said Smith, or any other person claiming under him, or that no grant hath ever issued to said George Smith, or any person claiming under him, for his services as one of the guard to said commissioners, then, and in that case, the said commissioners shall issue a warrant to the said George Smith or his assignee, for two hundred and fifty acres, which shall be a good and valid warrant, and shall authorize the rightful owner to locate and survey the same, on any

vacant land north and east of the congressional reservation line, and obtain a grant therefor as on other good and valid warrants.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.
July 27, 1829.

CHAP. 111.

AN ACT for the relief of Lee Sullivan and for other purposes.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that Lee Sullivan obtained a grant from the state of Tennessee, for six hundred and forty acres of land, No. 5087, dated 31st day of May 1811, and whereas it appears to this general assembly that said tract of six hundred and forty acres, was recovered from the said Lee Sullivan, by due course of law, by virtue of an older and better title, covering the said land; and whereas said older and better grant, is not recorded in this state, whereby the said Lee Sullivan, can procure a copy thereof, and procure a certificate, for remedy whereof:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That the commissioners for the adjudication of North Carolina land claims, be, and they are hereby directed to issue to the said Lee Sullivan, a duplicate warrant or certificate, for six hundred and forty acres of land, by virtue of said grant No. 5087, dated the 31st day of May, 1811, taken by the interference of said grant of better title, upon the said Lee Sullivan's surrendering to said commissioners his said grant, or a copy thereof, to be cancelled.

WHEREAS, it is represented to the legislature, that the commissioners of land claims, frequently require of applicants to produce the original grant, either that under which the applicant claims to hold, or the adversary grant when it is a case of land lost by better title; therefore.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted,* That in all cases whatsoever, when it becomes necessary, and is required by law, for any applicant to said board of commissioners either for a duplicate or certificate land warrant, to produce as evidence any grant, that it shall and may

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Commissioners to issue duplicate.

Applicants may produce certificate.

belowful for such applicant, to produce a certified copy of such grant, and the same shall be as available as if he produced the original grant; *Provided*, such applicant shall make oath that he has not been able to obtain such grant.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 28, 1820.

CHAP. 112.

AN ACT to authorize the drawing of Lottery to build a Masonic Hall in Polaski.

Persons authorized to draft a scheme of a lottery.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*, That Shadrick Nye, Alfred M. Harris, Alexander Black, James Patterson, and Tryan M. Yancy, be, and they are hereby authorized to draft a scheme of a lottery, and superintend the drawing of the same, in such manner as they may think most advisable, for the purpose of raising a sum of money not exceeding six thousand dollars, to be applied to the building of a Masonic Hall in the town of Polaski, by the members of the Lawrence Lodge, No. 16.

Trustees to give bond & security

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That said trustees, or a majority of them, before they proceed with said Lottery, shall enter into bond with good security to the chairman of Giles county court, in double the whole amount of the capital of said scheme, for the faithful payment of the prizes when drawn, or in case of failure to draw said Lottery, for the repayment to such persons as may have purchased tickets, the sum or sums by them advanced, which bond, when executed, shall be filed with the clerk of said county court.

To put numbers, prizes, &c in boxes in presence of two justices of peace

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That said trustees or a majority of them, when about to proceed to the drawing of said lottery, shall, in the presence and under the direction of two Justices of the Peace for Giles county, put into the boxes, the numbers, prizes and blanks contemplated by said scheme, and shall appoint two clerks to keep a regular account of the numbers drawn, and of the prizes and blanks; who shall take an oath faithfully, truly, and impartially, to keep an account of the drawings of said Lottery.

Sec. 4. *Be it enacted*, That said trustees, or a ma-

ority of them, shall have power to make sale of tickets, to take bonds of such persons as they may deposit tickets with for sale—and in case of failure to comply with said bonds, they are hereby authorized to sue for and recover in their own names as trustees of said Lottery, and to do and transact all things proper and necessary in a fair way, to carry the same into effect, and the proceeds of said Lottery, when finished, they are hereby directed to pay over to the Polaski Lodge of Freemasons, to be applied as aforesaid, after paying the necessary expences of drawing said Lottery.

Trustees to dispose of tickets

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 113.

AN ACT to alter the place of holding a precinct election in Dickson county.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee*. That the precinct election heretofore held at the widow Norris's, in Dickson county, be hereafter held at John Adams's on Yellow creek.

Precinct election in Dickson removed.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That Theoderick B. Rice, of the county of White, be, and he is hereby authorized to erect a good and sufficient bridge across the Mill-killer, on his own land, near his mills in said county, so as not to obstruct the ford across said river near said mills.

T. B. Rice authorized to erect a bridge

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That said Theoderick B. Rice, his heirs, or assigns, shall and may, so soon as said bridge is certified by three commissioners to be appointed by the county court of said county of White, be in good condition for the passing of travellers, take and receive the following rates of toll; viz. for each four wheel carriage of burthen, with a team of four, the sum of seventy-five cents; with a team of two, the sum of fifty cents; for each two wheeled carriage of burthen, thirty-seven and a half cents; for each four wheeled carriage of pleasure, seventy-five cents; two wheeled carriage of pleasure, fifty cents; for each man and horse, six and one fourth cents; led horse or mule, four cents; for each head of neat cattle, two cents; for sheep and hogs; one

Rates of toll

Cent. *Provided*, always, that the United States mail shall pass free from toll.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 114.

AN ACT for the benefit of the county of Monroe.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the judge of the circuit court for the seventh judicial district, is hereby authorized to adjourn the sittings of the circuit court, for the county of Monroe, from the house of William Dixon, to any other house which may be deemed suitable by a majority of the acting justices of the peace for said county, for that purpose.

Place of holding circuit court for Monroe county removed

Justices to adjourn county court of Monroe to some other house

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That the justices of the peace, for the county of Monroe, are hereby authorized to adjourn the sittings of the county court of pleas and quarter sessions for said county, from the house of William Dixon to any other house, which they may deem suitable for that purpose.

Writs, &c. to be returned to place of holding courts

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That all writs and other process, which may have been issued in said county, either in the county or circuit court, and made returnable to the house of William Dixon, shall be returned to the place appointed by said court for the sittings thereof, and which shall be as good and valid in all respects, as if they had been returned to the house of William Dixon.

County of Monroe to be added to third district

Sec. 4. *Be it enacted*, That the county of Monroe shall be added to and compose a part of the third solicitorial district, and it shall be the duty of the solicitor general for said district, to give his attendance, and prosecute in behalf of the state, in said county.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 115.

AN ACT to alter the name of William Barnes and to legitimate him by the name of William B. Pillow.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That William Barnes of Maury county, the reputed son of William Pillow, he hereafter called and known by the name of William B. Pillow; and be placed in all respects upon the same footing as the other children of said William Pillow, and inherit property real or personal of said William Pillow, as he would have done, had he been born in lawful wedlock.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate,

July 28, 1820.

CHAP. 116.

AN ACT to regulate the corporation of the town of Murfreesborough.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly, that several of the aldermen elected for the year 1820, for the town of Murfreesborough, are unqualified in consequence of not being freeholders or residents in the bounds of said corporation; for remedy whereof:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the individuals who have been elected aldermen for the town of Murfreesborough, for the year 1820, be, and they are hereby declared eligible to that appointment for the present year, and shall have the same powers and privileges, rights and immunities which are conferred on aldermen by the act of incorporation.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the mayor and aldermen of said corporation, to lay and collect a tax on the taxable property in the town of Murfreesborough; provided always, the tax upon the houses and lots in said town, shall be so regulated according to value, that the tax on no one house and lot shall exceed the sum of fifteen dollars.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That the corporation for the town of Murfreesborough, for ever hereafter shall be

Aldermen of Murfreesborough declared eligible for the present year

Mayor and Aldermen to lay tax

governed in laying and collecting taxes according to the directions in the preceding section.

Sec. 4. *Be it enacted*, That such individuals who have paid a greater proportion of taxes for the present year, than the sum which could legally be collected of them when laid, according to the direction of the second section of this act, shall be entitled to receive back such overplus.

Sec. 5. *Be it enacted*, That the house and lot now owned and occupied by James M'Dowell, known and designated by lot No. 1, of the range of lots sold by Isaac Hilliard, on the south of Murfreesborough, be and the same is hereby included within the bounds of the corporation of the town of Murfreesborough.

James Feintress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 28, 1820.

CHAP. 117.

AN ACT to authorise the sheriffs of Overton and White counties, to advertise lands in the Sparta Gazette, printed in the town of Sparta, and for other purposes.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*. That from and after the passage of this act, the sheriffs of the counties of Overton and White, be, and they are hereby authorised and required to advertise all lands, by them to be sold either by execution or for taxes, in the Sparta Gazette, printed in the town of Sparta.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That the rangers of the aforesaid counties, are hereby authorised and required to advertise in the Sparta Gazette, printed in the town of Sparta, all strays they are bound by law to advertise; but should said Sparta Gazette, printed in the town of Sparta, be discontinued, it shall not be lawful for said officers to advertise in some paper as heretofore pointed out by law, and it shall and may be lawful for the sheriffs of the counties of Warren, Jackson, Bledsoe and Marion, at their discretion, to advertise all lands by them to be sold, by execution or for taxes, in the Sparta Gazette, and in like manner for the rangers of the aforesaid counties, at their discretion, to advertise all strays required to

be advertised, in the Sparta Gazette, printed in the town of Sparta; any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That the sheriff of Dickson county, is hereby authorised, to make all his advertisements in his official capacity, in some paper printed in Nashville; and also the ranger of said county advertise in Nashville; and may advertise the strays of said county, in the same paper.

James Feintress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 28, 1820.

CHAP. 118.

AN ACT for the benefit of the Unicoi turnpike company.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*. That the surveyor general of the Hiwassee District, be, and he is hereby required to survey and lay off for the Unicoi turnpike company one acre of land, on the south bank of Little Tennessee river, including the ferry landing on said river, agreeably to the provisions of the treaty of July 1819: *Provided*, nevertheless, that nothing herein contained, shall be so construed, as to vest any title whatever to said piece of land in said company, but they shall only be entitled to the use and occupation thereof for the purpose and term aforesaid.

James Feintress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 119.

AN ACT to provide for the payment of certain costs therein mentioned.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*. That the costs of the second prosecution instituted in the county of Wilson, against Charles L. Bennett, for the murder of William T.

Hay, which have accrued subsequent to the change of venue, be paid by the treasurer of West Tennessee, when the same is certified to be correctly taxed by some judge of the circuit courts of this state, and the receipts of the claimants of the costs so certified shall be allowed as good vouchers for said treasurer in the settlement of his accounts.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
H. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 28, 1820.

CHAP. 120.

AN ACT for the relief of the persons therein mentioned.

WHEREAS, this Legislature did, at their last session, by an act, entitled, "an act for the relief of Robert Burton, grant to said Robert the privilege of running an entry in some degree different from the mode required by law—and whereas, it was not the intention of the legislature that an act of bounty should be used to the prejudice of any one; and whereas, it is now represented to us, that said Robert has so run out said entry, as to include about fifty settlers within his lines, to his own emolument, to the great injury of said settlers; and whereas it is now represented that the labour of said settlers was bestowed on the land at a time when said Robert had no lawful right or title therefor—remedy whereof, and to prevent individuals from using the bounty of this house to the injury of any one:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Tennessee,* That it shall be the duty of the circuit court for the county of Maury, on application of any or all the settlers on said land, or upon the application of the said Robert Burton, his agent or attorney, or those claiming under him, to direct an issue to be made up under the direction of said court, to be tried by a jury of the country, and on which issue the jury shall take into consideration how much the value of said improvement has added to the value of said land; and the said jury at the same time, shall deduct the rents which said occupants may have fairly received by the use and enjoyment of said land, from the 19th

Preamble.

Duty of the circuit court of Maury.

of June, 1820, and give a verdict for the balance after deducting a fair and reasonable rent, as aforesaid, and upon such verdict the court shall enter judgment, as in other cases.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted,* That when said issue is made between the parties, as aforesaid, it shall be tried under the same rules, regulations and restrictions, as other causes are heard and determined in said court, in all respects whatsoever, with the same right by appeal in the nature of a writ of error, or by writ of error by either party dissatisfied with the judgment or determination of said court; Provided nevertheless, that no person claiming by right of occupancy or preference, shall be eligible to serve upon said jury.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted,* That said occupant or occupants shall give at least forty days notice in some paper printed in Nashville, of the time he intends to apply to said court for the purpose of having said issue made up; or he shall notify said parties personally of the same.

Sec. 4. *Be it enacted,* That if the said Robert, or those claiming under him, shall commence any suit or suits for the recovery of said land against any of the settlers hereby provided for, and shall make a recovery in such case, it shall not be lawful for any clerk of any court in this state to issue any writ of possession on such recovery, unless it shall appear to the court who tried said cause, that the judgment so recovered by said occupant has been paid or satisfied; and if any clerk of any court of this state shall issue a writ of possession contrary to the provisions of this act, such clerk shall be liable over to the person aggrieved for double the value of his improvement, recoverable in any court of record of this state, in such form of action as may be suitable to his case.

Sec. 5. *Be it enacted,* That if from the testimony and the law, the said jury, under the direction of said court, shall be of opinion that said entry has been correctly run out according to the existing laws regulating the surveying and running out entries, previous to the stated session of the General Assembly of 1819; and that said grant has been made to Robert Burton in conformity therewith, then there shall be no recovery had against said Robert, or those claiming under him: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent either party from changing the venue of this as in other cases.

Sec. 6. *Be it enacted,* That in all cases hereafter,

when judgment shall be obtained upon any bill, bond or promissory note, negotiable by the laws of this state, by any endorsees or endorsees against the maker or drawer of said bill, bond or note, jointly with any or all of the endorsees of said bill, bond or note, and execution thereupon issue, it shall be the duty of the sheriff or other officer, to satisfy said execution by levy and sale of the property of such maker or drawer, if sufficient thereof may be found in his county, if not, then to satisfy the same out of the property of the several endorsees, in the order of their liability.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 24, 1820.

CHAP. 121.

AN ACT to divorce Thomas Gordon, from his wife Polly Gordon

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, that from and after the passage of this act, the bonds of matrimony heretofore entered into, by, and between Thomas Gordon, of the county of Williamson, and his wife, Polly Gordon, he, and the same are hereby dissolved.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 122.

AN ACT supplemental to an act entitled "an act to authorize the county court of Franklin to lay a tax for the purpose of building a jail in said county, and for other purposes," passed at Murfreesborough, October 21st, 1815.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly that a number of the citizens of the town of Minnville, in the county of Warren, may be injured by building the jail for said county on the

public square, and it is also represented, that a lot can be procured at some distance from the public square, so as not to injure private property—wherefore:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the county court of Warren, a majority of the acting justices being present, are hereby authorized to lay a tax for the purpose of buying a lot on which to build a public jail, provided they can procure one off from the public square, and the assent of those persons who may own lots contiguous to such lot, but if such a situation cannot be procured, the commissioners appointed by the county court of Warren, in conformity with the provisions of a law to which this is intended as a supplement, are hereby required to cause said public jail to be built on the public square, so as to do the least injury to the respective owners of property on the public square.

James Pentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

Passed July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 123.

AN ACT to establish separate elections in this state at the places therein named.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That there shall be three separate precinct elections authorized and established, in the county of Wayne; to wit, one at the house of Andrew Hall-ford, on Beech creek; one at the house of Craven county of Belchers, on Butlers fork of Shoal creek, and one at Wayne. Henry Rabburn's, on Indian creek.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That two precinct elections are authorized, and established, in the county of Hardin, one at Jesse Tanner's, on the Reynoldsburg road, and one at the house of Robert Shannon, on Turn-hows creek.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That the before mentioned elections shall be opened and held by the sheriffs, deputies or coroners of the respective counties, under the same rules regulations and restrictions, as other general elections are held, and the returns from the said precinct elections, shall be made on Saturday succeeding the days of election, to the sheriffs of the respective

counties, to be compared as in other cases of separate elections.

One in Giles county. Sec. 4. *Be it enacted*, That a precinct election be established at the house of William Farr, on Little Shoal creek, in the county of Giles.

One in Maury. Sec. 5. *Be it enacted*, That a precinct election be established at the house of William Edwards, in the town of Williamsport, in the county of Maury.

One in Williamson. Sec. 6. *Be it enacted*, That a separate election be established at the house of William Nolan, in the town of Nolensville, in the county of Williamson.

James Fentress,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate.

July 27, 1820.

CHAP. 124.

AN ACT for the benefit of William Marchbanks, and others,

Preamble.

WHEREAS, by an act of the general assembly, passed on the 19th day of November, 1817, authorizing William Marchbanks and others to open, and keep in repair, a turnpike road, from Big Emery near Wall's, to the main Cumberland road, at, or near Robert Johnson's stand, and whereas by said act they are prohibited from receiving toll on said road, until they get possession of Pile's turnpike road, whose term will not expire until some future period; for remedy whereof:

Gate authorized.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That it shall and may be lawful for William Marchbanks, & Co. to open a gate on said road, at any point they may designate after the commissioners report the road in repair agreeable to law.

Company to receive toll.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That said company shall be, and they are hereby entitled to receive the same toll, as pointed out by a law to which this is a supplement.

Former section repealed.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That so much of the section which makes it the duty of said company to build bridges across Big Emery, and the Clear fork of Cumberland rivers, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Gate west of junction to be stopped.

Sec. 4. *Be it enacted*, That so soon as said company gets possession of Pile's turnpike road, they

shall not receive toll, nor keep a gate, west of the junction of said roads.

James Fentress,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate.

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 125.

AN ACT for the benefit of Dincy Partee and others.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That all the property hereafter acquired in any manner, by Dincy Partee, wife of Henderson Partee, shall in no wise be liable to the payment of the debts of said Henderson, or to be disposed of by him in any manner.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That all the property now belonging to Sally Burns, wife of William Burns, or which may hereafter be acquired by her in any manner, shall not be subject to the debts of said William Burns, or to his disposition in any manner.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That all the property of Winifred Pitt now owned, or hereafter to be acquired by her, be exempted from liability for the debts of her husband, David Pitt, and from his disposition in any manner whatever, and to this end that they be divorced from bed and board.

James Fentress,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate.

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 126.

AN ACT to authorize and require the removal of the Registers office, of West Tennessee, from Nashville, to the seat of Government.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the Register of the Land Office for West Tennessee, be, and he is hereby authorized and required, on or before the first day of January next, to remove all the books, records and public documents, belonging to his office, to the seat of government.

Registers of Land Office for W. Ten. to remove to Nashville.

ment, where he shall keep his office, to do and perform all the duties of register, required by law.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That so much of the first section of an act of the general assembly of the state of Tennessee, passed at Knoxville on the 12th day of September, 1806, requiring the register of the land office of West Tennessee to keep his office at Nashville, as interferes with the provisions of this act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That the said register shall be, and he is hereby authorised to keep said office either by himself or deputy; *Provided*, however, the principal register, in all cases, shall be responsible for the conduct of his deputy.

James Kentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
H. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 127.

AN ACT to establish a separate election in the county of Rutherford and for other purposes.

Separate election authorised in Rutherford.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That hereafter there shall be a separate election held at the house of Gideon Thompson, in the town of Milton, in the county of Rutherford, for the purpose of electing electors to elect a president and vice-president of the United States, members of congress, governor of this state, members of the general assembly, and militia officers; and the said elections shall be held on the same days, under the same rules and regulations, and the returns thereof, be made at the same time and place, and have the same effect that the returns from other separate election districts have in said county.

One in Hawkins.

Sec. 2. *Be it enacted*, That a separate election shall hereafter be holden in the town of Surgoinsville, in the county of Hawkins, which election shall be conducted under the same rules and regulations, that are laid down for the government of the separate election in said county of Hawkins.

Precinct election removed in Robertson.

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted*, That the precinct election, heretofore held, at the house of Charles Kligore, in the county of Robertson, shall hereafter be held at the cross plains in said county, at the house of George Randall.

Sec. 4. *Be it enacted*, That two other precinct elections Two other are hereby authorised in said county, in addition to precinct elections already established: to wit, one at the house of John Chote, and one at the house of Benjamin Rox- Robertson. ney, under the same rules and regulations, as those heretofore established by law in said county.

Sec. 5. *Be it enacted*, That the sheriff of Wilson county, is hereby authorised to collect and the county Wilson trustee to receive from him jurors tickets, in discharge jurors tickets of county taxes, for said county; any law to the contrary notwithstanding in discharge of taxes.

James Kentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
H. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate.

July 26, 1820.

CHAP. 128.

AN ACT for the relief of the assignees of Felps Read.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that Felps Read did on the 2d day of February, 1818, obtain a certificate warrant from the commissioner of East Tennessee for 1430 acres of land No. 239, which said certificate the said Felps Read assigned and conveyed to five of his children, generally on the 5th day of April, 1819; to wit, Ellis Riggs, George G. Read, Thomas Read, William Read and James Thompson; and whereas some time previously to the passage of the law, prohibiting the division of land warrants, and certificates, the said Felps Read, went to Knoxville, for the purpose of having the said certificate divided, according to their respective interests among his said children, by separate certificates, but was disappointed therein by reason of the absence of the Register of East Tennessee; and to further the laudable and honest intention of the said Felps Read, in providing for an indigent family; therefore:

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee*, That the commissioners for the adjudication of North Carolina land claims, be, and they are hereby authorised and required to divide the said certificate, No. 239, according to their respective interests amongst the five persons aforesaid, by

issuing to each a separate certificate, for his interest thereof; *Provided*, the said Folps Read, shall on oath or affirmation, to be filed with said commissioners, aver that the said certificate was by him really, and bona fide transferred to said five children on the said fifth day of April, 1819, and that he did previously to the passage of the law prohibiting the division of land warrants and certificates, attend at the office of the register of East Tennessee, for the purpose of having the same divided, but was prevented therefrom, by reason of the absence of said register.

JAMES FENTRESS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. WEAKLEY,

Speaker of the Senate.

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 129.

AN ACT for the relief of John Paul and others. **WHEREAS**, it appears to this General Assembly, that John Paul, on the 27th of October, 1783, made an entry by No. 504, for five hundred acres, in John Armstrongs office, on which entry a warrant issued the 10th of July, 1789, which is so lost or mislaid, that the said John Paul never has, nor can secure any benefit therefrom—for remedy whereof:

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That the commissioners for the adjudication of North Carolina land claims, be, and they are hereby authorized to issue a duplicate warrant to John Paul for five hundred acres; *Provided* it appears that the consideration money on said entry has been paid, and said entry stands fair; and provided also, that the said warrant is genuine, and that no grant has ever issued thereon, or on a duplicate thereof.

Sec. 2. Be it enacted, That James M. Lewis is hereby authorized to lay a certified copy of an entry made in John Armstrong's office, on the 16th day of April, 1784, in the name of John Cochran, for 5000 acres, and transferred by said Cochran to said Lewis, on the 3d day of January, 1787, before the board of commissioners for the adjudication of North Carolina land claims, and if it shall appear to them, that said entry stands fair on the books, and that the same was transferred by said John Cochran to said James M. Lewis,

and that no grant hath ever been obtained on said warrant or duplicate thereof, then, and in that case, the said commissioners shall issue a duplicate to said James M. Lewis for the same, as in other cases of good and valid warrants.

Sec. 3. Be it enacted, That the said commissioners shall refrain from issuing the same, until the time for the filing warrants for adjudication shall have expired; and the original warrant, if ever found, shall be null and void against the state, but if any person can shew either a legal or equitable claim for such warrant, he shall have his recourse both in law and equity against said Lewis for the duplicate thus issued.

James Fentress,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

R. Weakley,

Speaker of the Senate,

July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 130.

AN ACT altering a part of the turnpike road in the county of Greene, and for other purposes.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That on application of **Turnpike** **Houston, Jacob Baker, and William Reynolds**, proprietors of the turnpike road leading from **Sherbills Cove to the Painted Rock**, in the county of Greene, to this General Assembly, suggesting that they have discovered a better way than that on which the road now passes, it shall be the duty of the commissioners to proceed, without delay, to view said new way, and if considered best, to authorize said undertakers to open and put in repair such better way.

Sec. 2. Be it enacted, That so soon as said proprietors shall finish said new way, they shall report the same to the commissioners, and said commissioners shall immediately proceed to examine said road, and if they consider it to be in good and sufficient repair, they shall confirm and establish said road, and the old road shall be discontinued.

Sec. 3. Be it enacted, That if any person shall attempt to cut a road leading out or into said turnpike road, without the consent of the proprietors, for the purpose of passing without paying toll, shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty dollars for every such offence, to be recovered before any justice of the peace for said county, in the name of said proprietors.

Original
warrant to
be null and
void.

Turnpike
road may be
altered.

Commission
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ine road.

Forfeiture
on persons
cutting road
to evade toll

Sec. 4. Be it enacted, That the proprietors shall demand and receive the following rates of toll, to wit: for every pleasure carriage, one dollar; for every road waggon, seventy five cents; except those carrying produce from the different counties to the warm springs, and they shall pay 50 cents; every cart, 37 1/2 cents; man and horse, 12 1/2 cents; pack horse, 6 1/2; loose horses, jacks, asses and mules, 4 cents; hogs, sheep, and cattle, one cent per head; chairs, 50 cents.

Sec. 5. Be it enacted, That said proprietors shall have liberty to erect or fix their gate on any part of said road they may think proper.

Sec. 6. Be it enacted, That John Gragg, Esq. Emanuel Purman, and John Farnsworth, be, and are hereby appointed commissioners to superintend said road.

Sec. 7. Be it enacted, That when the said road is received as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of said undertakers to enter into a new bond with approved security to the chairman of the county court of Greene county, and his successors in office, in the sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned for the keeping said road in good repair for the term of 15 years, from the time said road is finished, which bond shall be deposited in the clerks office of Greene county court, for the benefit of any person or persons who may be injured in consequence of neglect or other misconduct; *Provided* that no person shall be compelled to pay toll at said gate so removed and established, other than those who are compelled to pay toll where the gate now stands.

Sec. 8. Be it enacted, That all laws coming within the purview or meaning of this act, are hereby repealed.

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate,
July 29, 1820.

CHAP. 131.

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "an act appointing commissioners for the county of Greene," passed November 18th, 1819.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the

State of Tennessee, That it shall be the duty of the Commission-
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money.

Sec. 2. Be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of To make
report to
county court
county, in each year, to make a report of the situa-
tion and amount of such monies or funds, as shall or
have been confided to them, to the said court, a ma-
jority of the justices being present, and if it shall ap-
pear to the satisfaction of said court, a majority of the
justices being present that said funds have been bad-
ly or improperly managed by said commissioners, it
shall be the duty of said court, and it is hereby au-
thorised to remove said commissioners or any part
of them, and appoint others, taking bond with good
and sufficient security from them, as by the act
which this is intended to amend is required.

Sec. 3. Be it enacted, That if it shall become neces- county court
sary in the discharge of county dues, to appropriate
any part of said funds, said county court, a majority
of the justices being present, may at their discretion,
apply said funds any part thereof to such purpose.

Sec. 4. Be it enacted, That if said commissioners
shall have loaned said monies, without taking securi-
ty, it shall be their duty to call in said monies as soon
as practicable, and retain it in the manner and upon
the securities by this act prescribed.

Sec. 5. Be it enacted, That the county court of
Greene, a majority of the justices for said county being
present, may whenever they think expedient, fix on county court
of Greene to
build a new
court house,
a site and commence the building a new court-house,
any law to the contrary notwithstanding. *Provided,*
always that said court who select the site shall con-
sist alone of the acting justices of said county, com-
missioned before the session of the general assembly
of 1819. And *Provided* further, that the site selected
by said court, shall be within the limits of the cor-
poration of the town of Greenville,

James Fentress,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
R. Weakley,
Speaker of the Senate,
July 29th, 1820.

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