for the public use, and did also return a certificate of the same to CHAP. 170. the clerk of the same county which is now on record: And whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that great inconveniencies often occur, and may hereafter occur, to the inhabitants of Miles' River Neck, for want of a small house at the ferry aforesaid for the rendezvous of the ferrymen; therefore,

2. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Inhabitants of Miles River Neck the levy court of Talbot county are hereby authorised and direction up to put up a house for use offerry. ed to empower and permit the inhabitants of Miles' River Neck to put up a small house for the use of the ferry exclusively, provided they may be of opinion that the erection of such house is requisite and necessary for the public convenience.

CHAP. CLXXI.

An Act to alter and change the Public Road leading from or near Passed Dec 25. Miles' River Ferry to the Methodist Meeting-House in Talbot

County. Lib. TH. No. 3, fol. 11.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by Preamble. sundry inhabitants of Miles' River Neck in Talbot county, that great inconvenience does arise from the situation of the present road leading from Miles' River Ferry to the Methodist meetinghouse near the gate of Edward Lloyd in said neck; therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED. by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Commissioners appointed to alter & Obadiah Gairy, Bennett Bracoe, Henry Bullen, William Blake change road. and Andrew Skinner, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to alter and change the public road that leads from Miles' River Ferry to the Methodist meeting-house in said neck, and in order for that purpose the said commissioners, or a majority of them, are hereby authorised and empowered to lay out, clear and open, at the expense of those persons whom they may conceive benefitted thereby, in proportion as the benefit may arise either to them or to their lands, a road not exceeding thirty feet wide, clear of ditches, beginning at or near the said ferry and running in the most convenient and direct course to or near the Methodist meeting house in said neck.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the aforesaid commissioners, or To permit persons a majority of them, are instructed to permit those persons through same. whose land said road may run, or who may be considered benefitted thereby, to clear and open said road with their own servants, provided they do it on or before the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a ma- Authorised to locate a new road. jority of them, are hereby authorised to locate a new road in the aforesaid neck, beginning at the gate of Jacob Gibson's dwelling plantation, and running through the woods in the most direct rout through Bennet Bracoe's, Edward Lloyd's and Jacob Gibson's lands, to his said Gibson's gate, at the plantation formerly belonging to Colonel Hughes, and the expense of clearing and opening the same to be assessed as the other roads.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or a ma- Plot of said roads to be made, jority of them, shall and they are hereby directed and required to make, or cause to be made, a plot of said roads when opened as aforesaid, and shall make a return of the said plot, together with a certificate of the courses of the said roads, to the clerk of Talbot