

C H A P.  
LXVI.  
Inhabitants to  
meet, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants of Bridge-town, and of Sand-town in Queen-Anne's county, entitled to vote for commissioners, to meet at the house now occupied by William Mann, in Bridge-town, on the first Monday in March next, and then and there elect five discreet reputable persons to act as commissioners of said town for one year from and after the first day of April next; and the commissioners, so elected, shall have and exercise all the powers vested in commissioners of said town by the act to which this is a supplement.

## C H A P. LXVII.

Passed 19th of  
Dec. 1800.  
Preamble.

An ACT respecting idiots, lunatics and persons *non compos mentis*.

WHEREAS by law the chancellor is confined in making provision for the support of idiots, lunatics and persons *non compos mentis*, to the annual proceeds of the estate: And whereas it appears reasonable to this general assembly that the power should be increased,

Chancellor may  
order property  
to be sold, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act, the chancellor shall have full power and authority, in all cases where trustees shall or may be appointed under the authority of the chancery court for the management of the estates and persons of idiots, lunatics and persons *non compos mentis*, to order and direct the property of such idiot, lunatic or person *non compos mentis*, or so much thereof as he may judge necessary for the support of such idiot, lunatic or person *non compos mentis*, or for the payment of all reasonable and just expences which such trustee or trustees may or have incurred, to be sold, upon such terms as he may think proper, and to appoint a trustee or trustees for the purpose of effecting such sale or sales, and the money arising therefrom to be applied to the discharge of such expences.

In certain cases  
the whole may  
be sold, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in cases where a sale of the property of any idiot, lunatic or person *non compos mentis*, shall be necessary for the support of such person, and such property will not admit of division without prejudice thereto, or shall be so situated, or of such a nature, as to render it adviseable and beneficial to such person, in the opinion of the chancellor, to sell the whole, or any greater part thereof than may be necessary for the immediate support of such person, the said chancellor shall have full power and authority to order a sale or sales to be made of the whole, or so much of the property of such idiot, lunatic or person *non compos mentis*, as he shall think proper, and to direct the application of the money arising from such sale or sales, and the interest thereof, for the purposes aforesaid, and to direct from time to time in what funds the money arising from said sales shall be vested, and in all things to order in the premises as he may deem for the benefit and advantage of said lunatic.

Sales to be no-  
tified, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all sales made by the authority of the chancellor, under this act, shall be notified to, and confirmed by, the chancellor, before any conveyance of the property shall be made, and bond, with good and sufficient security, to be approved by the chancellor, shall be given by the person or persons empowered to sell the property as aforesaid, for the due execution of the trust committed to him or them, which bond shall be lodged with the register in chancery.

To whom the  
sum remaining  
shall belong.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the principal sum arising from the sale of the said property, or so much thereof as may remain unapplied to the use and maintenance of said lunatic, during the life-time of said lunatic, shall, on the death of the said lunatic, belong to such person or persons, his, her or their heirs or legal representatives, as would have been entitled to the said property in case the same had not been sold.

## C H A P. LXVIII.

## An ACT for the relief of John Charles Francois Chirac.

Passed 19th of  
Dec. 1800.  
Preamble.

WHEREAS the said John Charles Francois Chirac and Henry Peters, both of the city of Baltimore, have, by their petition to this present general assembly, set forth, that John Baptist Chirac, late of the said city, deceased, was, in his life-time, and at the time of his death, seized in fee and possessed of, a certain lot of land in said city, with three dwelling-houses thereon, and other the appertences, which lot is situated in that part of the said city called Howard's Late Addition, and is contained within the following courses and distances, to wit: Beginning at the intersection of Barré-street and Sharpe-street, and running thence, bounding on Sharpe-street, north, one hundred and sixty-six feet and six inches, thence east, parallel with Conawago-street, one hundred and twenty-six feet, thence west, binding on Barré-street, to the beginning; that the said John Baptist Chirac died intestate, and without heirs, by reason whereof the said lot, messuages and appertences, became