

of his knowledge and belief, with a true and concise statement relative to the antecedents, habits, disposition, health, &c., of each and every child under his care.

An Act to add a new section to Article IV of the Code of Public Local Laws for Baltimore city, title "Vagrants," for the purpose of extending to the Children's Aid Society, the provisions therein relating to the Home of the Friendless.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the following Section be added to Article IV of the Public Local Law for Baltimore City, title Vagrants :

SEC. 1. The Judges of the Orphans, Court of Baltimore City, the Judge of the Criminal Court, any Justice of the Peace, the Trustees of the Poor and the ward-managers of the Poor, and any Police Officer or Constable of said city, are hereby authorised and empowered to deal with, and commit to the President and Board of Managers of the Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, any minor whether male or female, in the same manner and under the same circumstances* as they are authorized to deal with and commit female minors to the care and charge of the Home of the Friendless, by the Public Local Law of the City of Baltimore, Article IV, title "Vagrants," Section 907 to 927 both inclusive, and the President and Board of Managers of said Children's Aid Society of Baltimore, are hereby vested in regard to all minors male or female, with all the rights, powers and authority which the Home of the Friendless, or the President and Managers thereof by said Public Local Law of Baltimore City are vested with in regard to female minors, and are to observe the same form and regulations in regard to the binding out, adopting or otherwise disposing of minors, male and female, committed to them by virtue of this law, except that the President and Board of Managers of the Children's Aid Society may bind out or dispose of male minors committed to them until twenty-one years of age.

*These circumstances are, being destitute, and suffering for want of support—found begging about the streets of Baltimore city—child of a beggar—suffering through the extreme indigence of parents—or bad habits of parents—or neglect of parents—illegitimate child, without sufficient sustenance afforded—or child of persons without the State of Maryland, without sufficient sustenance afforded.