place for the reception of said children when taken up, and to extend the powers vested in the justices of the peace, to the trustees and ward and district managers of the poor in the city and county of Baltimore:

Certain authorities may bind out destitute children, &c.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the peace for the city and county of Baltimore, the trustees of the poor of Baltimore city and county, the ward managers of the poor in the city of Baltimore, and the district managers of poor in Baltimore county, for the time being, shall individually have and exercise the power and authority to arrest, or cause to be arrested, and taken up, either in the city or county of Baltimore, any child or children who is or are destitute or suffering for want of support, or may be found begging about the streets of the city of Baltimore, and the child or children of beggars, and to send them, at the expense of the city or county, as the case may be, to the poor-house of Baltimore county, there to be supported till they can be bound apprentices, either to farmers, mechanics or other suitable persons, at the discretion of the trustees, and the said trustees are hereby invested with as full powers in relation to the children above mentioned, as they now possess and exercise in regard to other children under their care.

## ASSESSMENT.

The act of 1832, ch. 130, sec. 1, entitled, 'an Act for the valuation of real and personal property in Baltimore County, out of the limits of the city,' requires the valuation to be made in the manner prescribed by the act of 1812, ch. 191, entitled, 'an Act for the valuation of real and personal property in the several counties of this state.'

The 5th section of that act has reference to the act of 1785, ch. 53, entitled, 'an Act to ascertain the value of the land in the several counties of this state, for the purpose of laying the public Assessment.' These acts will be here re-printed.

The modifications of them, by local laws, will be distributed to the various counties to which they respectively appertain.

An Act to ascertain the value of the Land in the several Counties of this State, for the purpose of laying the Public Assessment.—1785, ch. 53.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, this general assembly, being fully satisfied of the great inequality that has hitherto taken place in the valuation of lands between the several counties of this state, and impressed with the necessity of preventing the like injustice in future, have determined to ascertain by law the average value by the acre of the land in the several counties of this state.

Average value of lands, &c. SEC. 2. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the average of land by the acre in the several counties be as follows, to wit: In Kent county at thirty three shillings and nine-pence, in Prince George's county at thirty-one shillings and six-pence, in Baltimore county at twenty-nine shillings and