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sions of the second section of this act; *Provided*, that nothing contained in this act shall exempt the county and city of Baltimore, from the payment of interest due by them.

POOR.

An Acr for the Relief of the Poor within the County of Baltimore.—
1773, ch. 30.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the inhabitants of Baltimore county, by their humble petition to this general assembly, have set forth, that the necessity, number, and continual increase of the poor within the said county, is very great, and exceedingly burthensome, which might be greatly lessened by a due regulation and employment of them, and praying that a law may pass for that purpose, and to enable the commissioners for emitting bills of credit to pay and advance to the trustees, for the use of said county, the sum of two thousand four hundred pounds sterling in bills of credit, and that the said sum may be repaid to the public, with interest, by the said county.

Sheriff may be sued, &c. SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That in case the sheriff shall not make such payment within the time limited, the commissioners aforesaid shall and may, within thirty days thereafter, prosecute a writ of scire facias against him and his sureties on his office bond, in like manner as they may do on bonds taken by them on the loan of money, and shall recover the like judgment, and have the like execution, and on such proceeding the sheriff aforesaid shall be chargeable with and pay interest at the rate of four per cent, by the year from the time he ought to have, paid the money aforesaid, until he shall actually pay the same.

Disorderly persons may be committed, &cc.

SEC. 19. And be it further enacted, That upon complaint made, that any person, from his or her disorderly conduct, gives disturbance to his or her neighbourhood, and is likely to become chargeable to the said county, it shall and may be lawful for any one magistrate of the said county, if upon hearing the party he shall adjudge the complaint to be well founded. to commit such disorderly person, residing within the said county, to the said work-house, for any time not exceeding three months, unless he or she shall find security, at the discretion of the magistrate aforesaid, in any sum not exceeding twenty pounds current money, for his or her good behaviour. and more orderly demeanour, during the space of six months; and also upon complaint and due proof made, by any one trustee for the poor, or any overseer of any alms and work-house. to any one magistrate of the said county, that any person in the said work-house hath behaved and demeaned him or herself in a disorderly manner, or hath refused or neglected to do and perform his or her daily labour and task, or hath refused or