

nor contracted to pay or give, any reward or compensation for his office or employment, or the emoluments thereof.

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272. In case any executor or administrator shall not have money sufficient to discharge the just debts of and claims against the decedent, the Orphans' Court granting the letters shall, on his application made after the return of an inventory, direct a sale of the whole property therein contained, or of such part, or to such an amount as the court may think proper; and the court shall direct the manner and terms of sale; *Provided*, that no credit exceeding twelve months be given, and that where credit is given, bond with security shall be taken; the court shall have power, in case it shall suspect any fraud, collusion, connivance, or improper management to affect the sale, or that it was unreasonably made, or that the property was sold much under its value, to compel the said executor or administrator to account for all such deficiencies as may have arisen by such executor or administrator's misconduct, the court always observing the inventory as their rule for ascertaining such deficiency.

273. The said court shall have power to direct a sale as aforesaid, in case it shall deem a sale advantageous for the persons interested in the administration, either *ex officio* or on application of any of the said persons.

274. No executor or administrator shall sell any property of his decedent without an order of the Orphans' Court granting his letters being first had and obtained, authorizing such sale, and any sale made without an order of court previously had as aforesaid, shall be void, and no title shall pass thereby to the purchaser.

275. If any executor or administrator shall sell or remove any property without an order of the Orphans' Court, the Orphans' Court may revoke his letters as soon as they are satisfied of such sale or removal having taken place, and appoint an administrator, whose duty it shall be, immediately to proceed to get possession of the property so sold or removed, and the Orphans' Court may authorize the administrator so by them appointed, to employ an attorney or attorneys, to assist in the recovery of said property, and determine the amount of fees to be paid therefor, and any cost or expense incurred in getting possession of said property,