## CHARLES RIDGELY, OF HAMPTON, ESQ. GOVERNOR.

beth McCauley and Mary Clarke, Elizabeth Short, and Jonathan CHAP. 206. Linthicum for the use of Elizabeth Merriken, John Dowill, of Richard, for the use of John Dowill, of Richard, and to such person as the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county may appoint for the use of John Dowill, of Richard, the sum of thirty dollars to each of them, which said sums of money, when collected, shall be paid over annually by the collector of said county to the above named persons, or to their orders.

CHAP. CCI.

An Act authorising the Sale or Leasing of the Poor-House, and Ground Passed Feb 3, 1217 belonging thereto, in Baltimore County, and to provide for building a new onc. Lib. TH. No. 5, fol. 353.

See 1817, ch. 87.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Levy court authorised to dispose of the justices of the levy court for Baltimore county, be and they are poor-house and ground. hereby authorised and empowered, to lay out into convenient lots, streets and alleys, all that part of the poor house ground in Baltimore county, which lies east of Biddle-street, and has not heretofore been so laid out, and to dispose of the poor-house in said county, and the public ground belonging thereto east of said street, or any part thereof, by sale or leasing, upon such terms, and in such manner, as they shall deem most beneficial for the county, and if sold, upon the receipt of the purchase money to convey the same to the purchasers thereof.

2 AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices aforesaid be and they a tract of land for are hereby authorised and empowered, to contract for and purchase use of the county. a suitable tract or parcel of land, not exceeding three hundred acres, in said county, and not more than four miles from the city of Baltimore, and receive the conveyance thereof, to and for the use and benefit of the county; upon which land the said justices are hereby further authorised and required to cause a poor-house, and a separate place for the reception of vagrants, for said county, and the necessary out-houses and improvements, to be erected and built to and for the reception and employment of the poor of said county, and to make the necessary contracts for the completion of the said work under their direction, to which objects and purposes the said land, when purchased, is hereby appropriated; to defray the cost and expenses of such purchase and improvements, so much of the money as may be necessary, arising from the sale or disposal above authorised to be made of the present poor-house of said county, and ground belonging thereto, shall and may be applied by the justices aforesaid, and any surplus that may remain after the completion of the said purchase and improvements, shall be vested in such manner as in their discretion may be most beneficial to the county.

3. And BE IT ENACTED, That as soon as the poor-house hereby authorised to be erected, shall be ready for the reception of the removed. poor, the justices of the levy court of the county shall cause them to be removed to such poor-house, there to be kept and employed as authorised by law.

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