SEC. 10. And be it further enacted. That the said Board of Public Works be and it is hereby authorized, within its discretion, to advertise for sealed bids and to sell to the highest responsible bidder therefor, after such notice as shall be prescribed by the said Board of Public Works, the securities belonging to the sinking fund of the "Consolidated Loan of 1899" other than the bonds or certificates of indebtedness issued by the State of Maryland, the money realized from the sale of said securities to be applied toward the redemption of the State debt known as the "Consolidated Loan of 1899"; if any of the said securities so offered for sale are not bid for, or if an insufficient price be bid for them, they may be subsequently disposed or by the said Board of Public Works at private sale on the best terms that can be obtained for the same; provided, they shall not be sold at private sale at a price less than the last recorded public sale for similar securities.

SEC. 11. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1912.

CHAPTER 478.

An Act to repeal and re-eact with amendments sections 117, 118 and 119 of Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Chancery," sub-title "Non Compos Mentis."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That sections 117, 118 and 119 of Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Chancery," sub-title "Non Compos Mentis," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

117. The Court, which may have appointed the guardian, committee or trustee of the property of a person non compos mentis may, upon the application of such guardian, committee or trustee, without any process or order of publication, order or decree any real or leasehold property of a person non compos mentis to be mortgaged, or may order or decree any real or leasehold property of a person non compos mentis to be leased for any term of years, or may order or decree the surrender of any lease of the estate or property of such person non compos mentis to be accepted, and the same to be demised anew on such terms and conditions as the Court may direct.