

An. Code, sec. 629A. 1917, ch. 15, sec. 629A.

**666.** The Board of Welfare is authorized and empowered to acquire by gift, devise, bequest, purchase, lease or in any other way, or by condemnation in accordance with the provisions of Article 33A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and any amendments thereto, any lands or other property, real or personal, or interest therein, together with any improvements thereon, which the Board, with the approval of the Governor, may find necessary or desirable for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a State farm, or for any other purpose that may be appropriate to the needs of the institutions under the jurisdiction of the said Board.<sup>1</sup>

An. Code, sec. 629B. 1917, ch. 15, sec. 629B.

**667.** If a State farm is so established, then it shall be the duty of the Board of Welfare to cause to work upon such farm as many of the prisoners confined in the institutions under its jurisdiction as are physically able to work thereon and as are available for such work.

Acts of 1916, ch. 556, and of 1918, ch. 354, held valid and not to impair obligation of a contract for convict labor made prior to their adoption. Specific performance; injunction. Nature and scope of police power. Cases reviewed. *Jones Hollow Ware Co. v. State Rds. Comm.*, 134 Md. 104.

An. Code, sec. 629C. 1917, ch. 15, sec. 629C.

**668.** The Governor of the State may from time to time, at the request of the authorities having control and jurisdiction over the jail of any other town or city or of any county in this State, assign to work upon said farm as many of the prisoners confined in the jails under their respective jurisdiction as are physically able to work on said farm and as are available for such work.

As to the Baltimore city jail, see sec. 675.

An. Code, sec. 629D. 1917, ch. 15, sec. 629D.

**669.** The Board of Welfare shall provide for the guarding, transportation, lodging, feeding, clothing and medical and other care and attention of all such prisoners, or make such arrangement therefor as it may deem adequate and proper; and may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary or proper to carry out the provisions of sections 666 to 675.

An. Code, sec. 629E. 1917, ch. 15, sec. 629E.

**670.** The Board of Welfare may set aside for each prisoner working upon said State farm, such sum as it may deem proper, not exceeding, however, the sum of fifty cents per day for each and every day that such prisoner is so employed; and the Board may hold such payments to the credit of the prisoner for whose account the same are made, and pay the same to him or her upon his or her release or discharge; or the said Board may, in its discretion, from time to time, pay such portion of said payments as it may

<sup>1</sup> While the title of act of 1917, ch. 15, states that it is an act to add *nine* additional sections to art. 27, it also states that such additional sections are to be known as secs. 629A to 629J, inclusive. The enacting clause of ch. 15, however, repeats the reference to *nine* additional sections, but omits any reference to sec. 629J.