

ALMSHOUSE.

1870, c. 58, entitled an act to authorize the county commissioners of Frederick county, to build a new almshouse for Frederick county, to borrow money on the credit of the county for that purpose, to issue bonds for the payment of the same, and to levy taxes on the assessable property of said county to redeem said bonds, and to pay the interest thereon, provides :

1. That the county commissioners of Frederick county are hereby authorized and empowered to build a new almshouse for said county, on the site of the present almshouse for said county, or any portion of the farm on which the present almshouse of said county is situated which the county commissioners of said county may select, in such manner and style and upon such plan as they may elect, and in such building to use such materials of the present almshouse as they may deem suitable ; and for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the said building, the said county commissioners are authorized and empowered to borrow, from time to time, the required sum or sums of money not exceeding, in the whole, the sum of sixty thousand dollars.

2. That said county commissioners are hereby authorized and required to issue bonds in sums of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, to be signed by the president of the board of said county commissioners and countersigned by the clerk of said board, not exceeding sixty thousand dollars, said bonds to bear interest payable semi-annually, on the first day of January and on the first day of July, and not to be disposed of for less than the par value thereof, and the interest on said bonds shall be received by the collector of taxes for said county in payment of county taxes ; *provided*, that the said bonds shall be exempt from county and municipal taxation.

3. That said bonds shall be issued to mature at such dates as shall not require the payment in any one year of more than four thousand dollars of the principal sum thereof, and that said bonds shall be redeemable at the pleasure of said county commissioners at, or before the maturity thereof, but none of said bonds shall be issued to mature prior to the first day of January, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

4. That said county commissioners shall, in each and every year prior to the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, levy upon the assessable property of Frederick county such sum of money as may be sufficient to pay the interest on the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, and in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, and in each and every year thereafter, until all of the said bonds are redeemed, the said county commissioners shall levy upon the assessable property of said county a tax of not less than two cents on every hundred dollars thereof.

5. That the money raised as directed by section four of this act shall be kept and designated as "The Almshouse Fund," and shall be applied exclusively to the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds and to the costs of collection of the said tax, which said tax shall be collected as all other taxes are collected in said county.

6. That the said county commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to tear down and remove the present almshouse of said county, and provide temporarily, at the expense of the said county, such accommodations for the paupers, as they may deem proper and expedient, until the new almshouse is finished and fit to be used.

Approved and in force February 19, 1870.