commissioners, may make such election or refusal in writing, to be refusal to elect, signed by such person in the presence of one or more witnesses, 32 Md 57, who shall attest the same in writing; and such written election or 45 Md 632 refusal, when filed with the clerk among the proceedings in the case, shall have the same effect and validity as if such person had made his election or refusal in open court.

51. The person making an election to take the estate, or any m s 51 part thereof, at the valuation of the commissioners, at the time of 1820, c 191, ss. making the election, shall give bond or bonds with two or more to give bond. sufficient sureties, to be approved by the court in which the proceedings may be had, to the other person or persons entitled to said estate, for their several proportions of the sum of money at which said estate is valued, which bonds shall bear interest from the date of the said election, and shall be made payable in such instalments as the court shall direct; and such bonds shall be and remain a Bond to be a lien on the lands for the purchase of which they were given until lien. the said bonds shall be wholly paid.

SALES BY COMMISSIONERS.

52. If all the persons entitled to elect to take the estate or any 14 s 52 part thereof, at the valuation, shall refuse, then the estate or such 1920, c 191, ss part thereof as the heirs may not elect to take, shall be sold by the When not taken by election to said commissioners, or a majority of them, for money or upon credit, 18 Md 260, and in the manner and agreeably to the terms and conditions which 23 Md 86. the court from which the commission issued shall prescribe and Sale to be direct; and no sale so to be made shall be valid until ratified by the said court, and the purchase-money shall be justly divided among the several persons interested, according to their respective titles to the estate.

53. But if all the parties entitled shall be minors at the death of Id s 53 the intestate, the estate shall not be sold until the eldest arrives at Where purties age, and the profits of the estate shall be equally divided in the all minors

1820 c 191, s 9.

- 54. When the estate of an intestate shall be sold on a credit, Id a 54
 1820, c 191, s 18. bonds shall be taken for the purchase-money from the purchaser or Bonds to be purchasers, by the commissioners, with security, and made payable on credit to each representative respectively, according to his proportional part of the net amount of sales, with interest thereon from the day of sale, and in such instalments as the court shall direct, which bonds shall remain and be a lien on the lands for the purchase of which they were given, until the said bonds shall be paid.
- 55. It shall not be necessary, if the court shall deem it to be the Id s 55 interest of all persons concerned, for the purchaser of any part of Hond may be the real estate of any person dying intestate, which may be sold by given to the commissioners, or where any one or more of the representatives of 45 Md 532, such intestate shall elect to take the same, or any part thereof, at the valuation made by commissioners, to give bond to each of the representatives of such intestate; but such purchaser or person who