

successors are duly appointed; and in case the annual election shall not be held for any reason, the said corporation shall not thereby be dissolved.

1862, ch. 291, sec. 5.

378. The board of managers shall provide a suitable building within the State, and establish such regulations respecting the religious and moral education, training, employment, discipline and safe keeping of its inmates as may be deemed expedient and proper; and the grounds and buildings which may be erected thereon for the said industrial home for colored girls shall be exempt and free of all taxes; no public streets, lanes or alleys, roads or railroads or canals of any kind shall be opened through the lands of the said institution, when the same are exclusively used or appropriated for the purposes of its incorporation, except with the consent of the board of managers.

Ibid. sec. 6.

379. The board of managers shall take into said institution all such colored female minors under the age of eighteen years as shall be taken up and committed as street beggars or vagrants, or who shall be convicted of criminal offences, or who shall be committed under the provisions of article 4, code of public local laws, title "city of Baltimore," sub-title "Vagrants;" but whenever any colored female under the age of eighteen years shall be convicted in any of the courts of this State of any offence, or of vagrancy, the judge of said court in his discretion, and with reference to the character of the industrial home for colored girls as a place of reform, and not of punishment, may order the minor so convicted to be removed to and confined in the said industrial home for colored girls.

Ibid. sec. 7.

380. The board of managers shall have power to bind out girls committed to their care as apprentices, until they reach the age of eighteen years, to such persons and places, whether in or out of this State, and to learn such proper trades or employments as in the judgment of the said managers will be most conducive to their reformation and advantage; and the indentures by which said children shall be bound shall contain the covenants, and shall