said county, any guanos or manufactured concentrated manures, including ground bones, on credit, it shall be lawful for such purchaser of any of said manures to pledge to the person from whom they are purchased, as security for the price of said manures, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum until paid, all the crops which may be made or gathered, or such portion thereof as may be designated in their agreement, for the making of which said manures may have been purchased; and such pledge when entered into as hereinafter required, shall be a preferred lien on such crops, and to be paid out of the proceeds thereof before all judgments, except for rent, as hereinafter provided for.

1870, ch. 356.

39. The vendor of any of said manures shall make out an account of the sales thereof made by him to any purchaser, to which such purchaser shall add the pledge aforesaid, in writing, and signed by said purchaser, and which shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for St. Mary's county, and such recording thereof, for which the clerk shall receive the usual fee, shall be sufficient notice to all persons of the preferred claim of such vendor; provided, in case of the death of the purchaser, the claim of said vendor shall be submitted to and passed by the orphans' court of the county in which the purchaser shall have been a resident, upon which the executor or administrator shall be bound to pay to said vendor, the proceeds of the sale of the crops aforesaid, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the claim of said vendor.

Thid.

40. Any sheriff or constable may levy execution on any of the crops so as aforesaid pledged, but shall pay to the pledgee or his agent, out of any sales thereof which shall be made by said sheriff or constable, and before any other application of the proceeds of such sales, the amount for which the crops levied upon shall be pledged, or the amount that may be unpaid thereon; and for failure so to do, the bond of such sheriff or constable shall be responsible to the party to whom said crops shall be pledged.