

on, or two or more local authorities may combine in providing a common hospital.

1888, art. 43, sec. 24. 1882, ch. 155, sec. 10.

39. Any expenses incurred by the authorities of any city, town or county in maintaining in a hospital, or in a temporary place for the reception of the sick, a patient who is not a pauper shall be deemed to be a debt due from such patient to the authorities aforesaid, and may be recovered from him at any time within twelve months after the discharge from such hospital or place of reception, or from his estate, in the event of his dying in such hospital.

State Vaccine Agency.

Ibid. sec. 25. 1864, ch. 269, sec. 1. 1872, ch. 257, sec. 1.

40. A State vaccine agency is established; said agency to be located in the city of Baltimore, in which place shall be kept, at all times, a supply of fresh and pure vaccine virus, if practicable, not more than four removes from the cow, for the use of the physicians residing and practising medicine and surgery in this State.

Co Comm'rs of Allegany Co. v. McClintock, 60 Md. 560.

Ibid sec. 26. 1864, ch. 269, sec. 2.

41. The governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall, once in six years, appoint, as State vaccine agent, one physician of good character and standing, whose duty it shall be to keep on hand, and to procure as often as may be necessary, pure vaccine virus, and to furnish such virus to the physicians of the State, gratuitously, when called for; he shall keep a record of the name and location of each physician so furnished with virus, together with the quantities, qualities and number of times; he shall be required to advertise once a month in one or more of the newspapers published in the city of Baltimore, and once during the year (three insertions) in one paper of each county; he shall, for his services as State vaccine agent, receive an annual salary of six hundred dollars, and to defray the expenses incurred by him in procuring reliable vaccine virus; and to further carry out the provisions of this section the additional sum of fourteen hundred dollars is hereby appropriated; said salary to be paid in quarterly instalments, as other State officers are now paid; and it shall be competent for the governor, at any time, to remove said agent for neglect, incompetency or