

CHAP. 29. sation for said justice of the peace, shall be paid by the said justice of the peace to the informer, and the other half into the hands of the orphans court of said county, who are hereby authorised to apply the same as a part of the school fund of said county.

4. *And be it enacted*, That any justice of the peace who shall make sale of any such boat or boats, or other vessels used as sand boats, is hereby required within twenty days after such sale or sales, to pay into the hands of the orphans court of said county, such part of the proceeds of said sale or sales, as the provisions of this act entitle the said court to receive; and in case of a failure by any justice of the peace to pay as aforesaid, he shall be liable to presentment in the county court of said county, and upon conviction thereof, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars, to be collected as other forfeitures are, and paid into the hands of the orphans court aforesaid, and applied by said court as a part of the school fund of said county.

5. *And be it enacted*, That the provisions of this act shall not be construed to apply to any other than such boats or vessels as may visit that part of the aforesaid branch which lies in Prince-George's county, for the purpose of taking and carrying sand therefrom.

6. *And be it enacted*, That if the owner or owners of any boat or boats seized under this law, or his or their agent, shall within ten days after such seizure, enter into bond in a penalty of one hundred dollars, with security to be approved by the justice of the peace under whose warrant such boat or boats shall have been seized, conditioned to prosecute with effect an appeal to the next county court which shall be thereafter, then the said boat or boats shall be restored to such owner or owners.

7. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the judges of Prince-George's county court, at their next term of said court after such bond is executed, to hear and determine the said appeal, and give judgment therein as they do upon appeals from the judgments of justices of the peace: *Provided always*, that no keel boat exceeding twenty tons burthen, or exceeding four hundred dollars in value, shall be sold under this act, unless previous to such sale notice be given by advertisements in two of the public prints in the District of Columbia, for three successive weeks, of the time and place of sale, with a description of said vessel.

CHAP. XL.

Passed Jan 27, 1827 An Act to incorporate the Methodist Preachers' Aid Society of Baltimore.

Preamble

WHEREAS Samuel Harden, William Wilkins, Thomas E. Bond, Philip Littigg, Andrew Adgate, Thomas Armstrong, Fielder Israel, Christian Keener, James Brundige, Alexander Russell, William McKonkey, junior, Thomas Kelso, Robert Armstrong, Jacob Rogers, George Earnest and John Berry, members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the city of Baltimore, and others, have formed themselves into a society for the laudable purpose of affording relief to the itinerant ministers of the said church, their wives, widows and children, and for the education of the latter, and have prayed for an act