

the visitors and governors of the jail of Baltimore county, from the plaintiff or plaintiffs, at whose suit, such person shall be so held in custody or so imprisoned, the sum of twenty cents daily for every day that such prisoner shall be confined, which shall be paid to the warden aforesaid, while such person shall be confined in jail, to defray the cost of sufficient food for the use of such imprisoned debtor, and for his maintenance, and if any plaintiff at whose suit any debtor shall be so imprisoned in the said jail, shall omit for three days after notice to him or his agent or attorney, to pay the amount to which the said warden shall be entitled, in virtue of this act, any justice of the peace for Baltimore city or county, on being certified of such omission, under the hand of the said warden, and that such person is not imprisoned for any other cause than debt, may and shall, by an order signed by him, direct the said warden to release the said imprisoned debtor from confinement, which order shall be obeyed by the warden, and shall be a sufficient justification of him, for releasing such person from prison.

Plaintiffs neglecting to pay.

Prisoner shall be released.

Diet—bedding, &c—cultivation of lot

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the visitors and governors of the jail of Baltimore county be, and they are hereby authorised to regulate the diet of the prisoners and other persons committed to said jail, procure necessary bedding for their use, and to cause to be cultivated the grounds belonging and attached thereto, for the purpose of raising the necessary vegetables for the use of the persons confined as aforesaid.

## CHAPTER 215.

*An act to authorise an investment on certain unsubscribed shares in the Commercial and Farmers' Bank of Baltimore, and for other purposes.*

Passed March 15, 1828.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the president and directors of the Commercial and Farmers Bank of Baltimore be, and they are hereby authorised on or before the first day of April next, to pay and invest upon two hundred and eightysix reserved shares in the said Bank for the use of the state, the sum of nine thousand five hundred and thirty three dollars, and thirty three and one third cents, and that upon the said payment and investment, and also upon the payment into the treasury of the Western Shore of all or any balance of the bonus reserved for the support of free schools, commonly called the school fund, which may be due or in arrear from the said bank in the opinion of the treasurer of the said treasury, and in that case the right of the state to appoint directors or any director of the said bank shall cease and become void, and the same in that event is hereby declared to be relinquished, and shall not be exercised after the completion of the said payments, any act or resolution of the General Assembly to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided*, That in all elections of directors, or other meetings of the stockhold-

Directors authorised to pay to the treasurer of W S: certain sums

In case of payment the state's right to appoint directors, abandoned.

Right of voting for directors reserved