but may, in their discretion, pay it from the general fund provided for highways or out of their contingent fund.

Sec. 12. And be it enacted, That the fund arising from the sale of the bonds for the permanent improvements of the public highways shall be apportioned to the several election districts of said county, in proportion to the sums heretofore spent in the care and repair of the roads of the said respective districts. The roads to be first improved shall be those leading to the most important towns, the railway or navigation centers of each district, which roads shall be determined on by the Board of County Commissioners and said auxiliary board as provided by section 10 of this Act.

Approved April 6, 1908.

## ARTICLE IX.

## CHARLES COUNTY.

## CHAPTER 519.

- AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 3 of chapter 406 of the Acts of 1904, entitled "An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Charles county to issue bonds for the purpose of refunding the bonded indebtedness of said county accruing under section 6 of chapter 546 of the Acts of 1894, known as courthouse bonds, and to levy and to collect the necessary taxes for the payment of said bonds and interest thereon."
- Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section 3 of chapter 406 of the Acts of 1904, entitled "An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Charles county to issue bonds for the purpose of refunding the bonded indebtedness of said county, accruing under section 6 of chapter 546 of the Acts of 1894, known as courthouse bonds, and to levy and to collect the necessary taxes for the payment of said bonds and interest thereon," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:
- SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the said County Commissioners are hereby authorized and required to sell said bonds to the best advantage, at public sale, at such times and upon such notice as they may deem expedient; provided, however, that they shall not sell any of the bonds authorized to be issued