

deceased, not to exceed fifty dollars; third, the debts of the deceased proved or passed, as herein directed, and paid or retained; fourth the allowance for things lost or which have perished without the party's fault which allowance shall be according to the appraisement; fifth, his commissions which shall be at the discretion of the court not under two per cent. nor exceeding ten per cent. on the first twenty thousand dollars of the estate, and on the balance of the estate not more than two per cent.; sixth, his allowance for costs and extraordinary expenses (not personal), which the court may think proper to allow, laid out in the recovery or security of any part of the estate; and the court may allow him credit for live stock killed for the necessary use of the family before a sale.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect on June 1, 1922.

Approved April 13th, 1922.

CHAPTER 330.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 218 of Article 16, title "Chancery," of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 218 of Article 16, title "Chancery," of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so that said section shall read as follows:

218. Where any person dies, or shall have died, leaving any real estate in possession, remainder or reversion, and not leaving personal estate sufficient to pay his debts and costs of administration, the court, on any suit instituted by any of his creditors, may decree that all the real estate of such person, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be sold to pay his debts; and the funeral expenses of the decedent, to be allowed in the discretion of the court according to the condition and circumstances of the deceased, not to exceed three hundred dollars, except by special order of court, and provided the estate of the deceased be solvent, shall be considered the debt of said decedent, and in the distribution of the proceeds arising from any sale under this section, the claim for funeral