

CHAP. 221. of both branches of the Legislature, to inspect the books, papers and concerns of the said bank at any time or times.

CHAPTER 221.

Passed Mar. 25, 1839, *An act to introduce the cultivation of the Mulberry, and the making of Silk, at the Poor House in Somerset County.*

Preamble

WHEREAS, the growing of the mulberry, and the making of silk at the poor house in Somerset county, would, it is confidently believed, not only afford agreeable and healthful employment to its inmates at a pleasant season of the year, but would ultimately, under a judicious system of management, aid greatly in defraying the expenses of that institution, and also afford a means of giving to the poor children therein the blessing of education:—Therefore,

Levy of \$110 directed

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners for Somerset county be, and they are hereby authorized in their discretion, to levy upon the assessable property of said county, the present year, the sum of one hundred and ten dollars, to be by them expended agreeably to the provisions contained in this act.

Purchase of trees

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners for said county be, and they are hereby required, as soon after the passage of this act as practicable, to purchase on the best possible terms, one hundred dollars worth of the *morus multicaulis*, to be planted and cultivated, by the poor, under the direction of the keeper of said institution, who is hereby required to select, with the approbation of the commissioners aforesaid, some eligible scite for said purpose.

Loan authorized

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That in order to carry the second section of this act into immediate operation said commissioners are hereby required to borrow the sum of one hundred dollars, until such time as the levy and collection authorized by the first section of this act shall have been effected.

Interest provided for

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the remaining ten dollars to be levied by the first section of this act, shall