

CHAP. 75. CHAPTER 75.

Passed Feb. 6, 1846.

An act entitled, an act to authorise and direct the Attorney General to institute proceedings against the Board of Commissioners for the Frederick Female Seminary.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it has been represented to the General Assembly of Maryland, on the memorial of Alexander B. Hanson and Jacob Markell, two of the commissioners of the Frederick Female Seminary, that the charter or franchise of said institution hath been forfeited by certain acts of Gideon Bantz, David Boyd and Christian Steiner, three of the commissioners of said institution, which said acts and forfeiture have been, on the counter memorial of said three commissioners, denied; and whereas, by mutual consent of the said parties, it hath been agreed that a scire facias be issued to try the alleged forfeiture— therefore,

Attorney General authorised to institute proceedings.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Attorney General of this State be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to institute proceedings against the board of commissioners for the Frederick Female Seminary, to ascertain whether the charter and corporate powers and franchises of the said board of commissioners for the Frederick Female Seminary ought, by reason of abuser of such powers or franchises, to be vacated and annulled.

In case of forfeiture, property, &c vest in commissioners

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That in case the acts of the said board of commissioners, or a majority of them, shall be judicially declared to amount to a forfeiture of their charter or franchises, such judicial declaration shall not in fact work a forfeiture of the charter, franchises and endowments of said Seminary, but that the property, effects, endowments and all grants heretofore made by the General Assembly of Maryland shall vest in Alexander B. Hanson, Jacob Markell, Gideon Bantz, David Boyd, Christian Steiner, Richard Potts, Frederick A. Schley, Samuel Tyler and Lloyd Dorsey and their successors, as commissioners and trustees of the Frederick Female Seminary, in the same manner in which said property and franchises are now vested in the original commissioners and trustees, by the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, chapter two hundred and seventeen, and its several supplements, who shall be incorporated by said name, and shall be vested with the same powers, rights, duties and obligations conferred upon the said original commissioners and trustees by the last said act.

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