

1847.

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

CHAP. 227. SEC. 14. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall continue and be in force until the first day of January eighteen hundred and seventy, and until the end of the first session of the General Assembly which shall happen thereafter.

In force.

CHAPTER 227.

Passed March 7, 1848. *An act to authorise the sale of certain real estate therein mentioned.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it has been represented to this General Assembly by William K. Deford and Sarah Ann his wife, formerly Sarah Ann Beck, and by Samuel T. Harrison, guardian to Edward Beck and Charlotte Ann Beck, children of Edward Beck, deceased, that a commission did heretofore issue out of Queen Anne's county court to John Brown, Richard E. C. Downes, junior, George Spry, James Bateman and Charles McAllister, to divide the real estate of the said Edward Beck, deceased, consisting of a tract or part of a tract of land called Spread Eagle, and a house and lot situated in the town of Church Hill, according to the provisions of the act passed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty, chapter one hundred and ninety-one, which said real estate is represented to be in gradual daily decay and incapable of a division without detriment to all the parties interested; and whereas, it is believed that under the provisions of the aforesaid act the commissioners aforesaid cannot be authorised by the judges of Queen Anne's county court to make sale of the said real estate, even if the same be incapable of division without detriment—Therefore,

County court may direct a sale.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, if in their judgment or the judgment of a majority of them, the said real estate cannot be equally and fairly divided without loss and injury to all the parties interested, to make return of their said opinion to Queen Anne's county court aforesaid, and in the event of such return of opinion, then and in that case the judges of the said court be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to direct a sale of said real estate, and to have all other proceedings in relation

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