

CHAP. 340. peace for said county, that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of him as bailiff, constable and collector, within the limits of said village, by virtue of this act, without favor, affection or partiality, according to the best of his skill and judgment, and the said bailiff, constable and collector shall give bond in the same manner and under the same penalties that the several constables and collectors of the said county do, and it shall be the duty of the said bailiff, constable and collector to attend the meetings of the commissioners whenever he shall be required to perform such services, as shall from time to time be by them directed, for the more effectual accomplishing the object of this act, to prevent the tumultuous and irregular meeting of slaves or free negroes within the limits of said village, and to punish, with moderate correction, all such slaves and free negroes as shall be found wandering or strolling about the streets in the night time, and to prevent slaves frequenting the houses of other persons, in said village, without the consent or permission of their masters or mistresses.

Forfeitures—
how applied **SEC. 18.** *And be it enacted,* That all taxes, fines, forfeitures and penalties imposed by the said commissioners, by virtue of any law or ordinance, be applied in such manner, for the use of the said village, as may be from time to time by ordinance directed.

CHAPTER 340.

Passed March
6, 1850. *An act for the benefit of the Widow and Heirs of Joseph P. W. Richardson, late of Caroline County, deceased.*

Preamble. WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly that Joseph P. W. Richardson, late of Caroline county, has died intestate, seized of a large real estate, leaving a widow and seven children his heirs at law, upon whom the same has devolved, three of whom are minors, and that the said lands are not susceptible of being divided equally among all the persons interested without loss and injury to them, and that it will be for the interest of all concerned if the said widow be authorised to hold her dower therein undivided, and that the guardians of said minors ought to be authorised to elect at