

the valuation made by commissioners some portions thereof, for and in the name and on behalf of such minors or some of them—Therefore,

CHAP. 340.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it may and shall be lawful for the commissioners who may be hereafter appointed by Caroline county court, to value and divide said lands, to proceed in the execution of said commission and execute the same without laying off the dower of the widow therein separately, and that said widow may hold and claim her dower therein and in every part thereof, undivided in the same manner as if such commission had not issued; *provided*, the said widow shall file in said court her assent in writing thereto.

Lands to be divided

Proviso

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That in case the said commissioners shall make return to said court that in their opinion the said lands are not susceptible of being divided equally among all the parties interested, and shall divide the same into fewer parts than there are persons interested, and shall value the same, and their said report shall be ratified by said court, then it shall and may be lawful for the guardian or guardians of said minors respectively, in their discretion to elect, to take, at the valuation made by said commissioners for and in the name of and in behalf of these wards respectively, in the same manner as an heir of full age is entitled to elect, any part or parts of said land not elected by the heirs of full age, and any guardian so electing shall execute bonds in the name of the said ward for whom such election may be made, with sureties to be approved by said court in such penalty as said court may prescribe, conditioned to pay to the other persons entitled respectively, their just proportions of such value in money, and such bonds shall be binding upon such minor, in the same manner as if elected by him or her, being of full age, and shall be a lien on said land so elected.

If not susceptible of division

Order of right of election

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That such right of election to said guardians respectively, shall and may be exercised by him or them, in the order of the ages of his, her or their respective wards, in the same manner as the minors if of full age might exercise the same.

Day of election prescribed, etc.
Elections how conducted
Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That said election of commissioners shall be held in the manner now prescribed by law for the election of delegates to the Assembly, for