

pay them over to the clerk of Allegany county court, <sup>CHAP. 374.</sup> and to take duplicate receipts from the said clerk, for all sums of money paid to said clerk, as hereby provided, one of which said receipts shall be sent to the treasurer of the State of Maryland, and the said clerk shall pay over all such money to the treasurer of the State aforesaid, for the use of the said State, except such commissions as are now allowed by law for similar sums collected and paid by the said clerk, and the bond of each of the said officers shall be responsible for the faithful performance of the duty hereby imposed upon them, and each of the said officers shall be entitled to such fees as are now allowed in suits for the recovery of small debts.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted.* That the second section Repealed of the aforesaid act, passed at December session, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-three, chapter one hundred and seventy-four, be and the same is hereby repealed.

#### CHAPTER 374.

*An act supplementary to an act to establish a House of Refuge, for Juvenile Delinquents, passed February eighth, eighteen hundred and thirty.* Passed Mar. 7, 1850

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly* Who may be admitted of Maryland, That the board of managers of the House of Refuge shall have power at their discretion to take into said house, all such children as shall be taken up and committed as street-beggars or vagrants, or shall be convicted of criminal offences, or as hereinafter provided for, in case of application of parents or guardians, and shall have power to place the said children committed to their care during the minority of such children at such employments, and to cause them to be instructed in such branches of useful knowledge as may be suited to their years and capacities, and they shall have power to bind out said children with their consent as apprentices during their minority, that is to say, males until the age of twenty-one years, and females until the age of eighteen years, to such persons and at such places, to learn such proper trades or employments as in their judgment will be most conducive to the reformation and the future benefit and advantage of such