

two justices of the peace, and that the acknowledgment of the said John D. Cruikshanks and wife, shall be as valid as if the qualification of the judge before whom it appears the same was made and taken, had been duly certified to as required by law; *provided* however, that nothing in this act shall affect bona fide purchasers, or judgment creditors, without notice.

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CHAPTER 540.

An act to provide for taking the sense of the people of Baltimore County, on the propriety of separating said County from the City of Baltimore.

Passed
March 9, 1850.

WHEREAS, it hath been represented that the interest and convenience of the people of Baltimore county, would be greatly promoted, and the administration of justice in said county, be rendered more speedy and efficient, if the said county were separated from the city of Baltimore—Therefore,

Preamble

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That at the election to be held on the second Wednesday in May next, after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful for the qualified voters of the several election districts of Baltimore county, to elect three persons for and from each election district, who shall be styled commissioners of the several districts whose duty it shall be to meet on the first Monday in June next, at some central place in said county, and there determine and fix upon a suitable site for the erection of the public buildings for said county, and in fixing upon said site, they the commissioners of the districts, shall take into consideration the general interest of the people of said county, and the facilities of access and departure from said site, and the decision of a majority of the said commissioners so met in convention, shall be declared to be final, and said commissioners or a majority of them, are hereby authorised to receive any gift or gifts of any lot or lots of land for the said site, on behalf of said county.

Commissioners
to be elected

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted.* That the judges of the election who shall act as such, shall make returns of the elections hereby authorised to be held, in the same manner returns are now made by law in the

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