

church, Fredericktown, chartered at the December session of eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, chapter one hundred and forty-seven, would be greatly promoted by enlarging their powers and authorising them to receive as apprentices, the children that may be confided to their care, to be bound to them by the proper authorities for such time and upon such terms as may be provided by law ; Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the trustees of the Orphan House and Episcopal Free School Society of All Saints' church, Frederick, be, and are hereby authorised, to receive as apprentices, any destitute female children or any destitute female orphan children, that may be confided to their care, to be bound to them by their parents, the orphans court of Frederick county or by the trustees of the poor of Frederick county, as the case may be, until they arrive at the age of eighteen years, or until marriage, upon the terms and for the purposes for which the said institution was incorporated, to wit: to protect, clothe and educate them in a plain and useful manner and no more.

Authority to receive apprentices.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That from and after the passage of this act, any father, or in case there be no father, then any mother in destitute circumstances, may bind out his or her female child or children, to the trustees of the Orphan House and Episcopal Free School Society of All Saints' church, Fredericktown, until she or they shall arrive at the age of eighteen years, or until marriage, upon the terms that the said institution shall protect, clothe and educate them in a plain and useful manner and no more.

Father or mother may bind out children.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the orphans court of Frederick county is hereby authorised and empowered, to bind out any destitute female child or any destitute female orphan, as the case may be, who, under existing laws, could by said court be bound out to individuals, to the trustees of the Orphan House and Episcopal Free School Society of All Saints' church, Fredericktown, until the age of eighteen years or marriage, upon the terms that they protect, clothe and educate her in a plain and useful manner and no more.

Orphans court may bind out children.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the trustees of the poor of Frederick county, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to bind out any such destitute female child or any destitute female orphan, as the case may be, to the trustees of the Orphan House and Episcopal Free School Society of All Saints' church, Frederick-

Trustees of poor may bind out children.