

purchase, or have, take, and hold to them, and their successors, in fee or for any less estate, any lands, tenements or hereditaments within said Parish, by the gift, bargain, sale or devise, of any person or persons, bodies politic and corporate, capable of making the same, and such lands, &c., to use, manage or cultivate, or to let to cultivation in such manner as they may judge most conducive to the interests of said Parish; especially to hold the same, if they see fit, as a place of residence for the Rector of said Parish, and to appropriate and apply the profits or returns therefrom for his comfortable maintenance and support; *Provided always*, That the lands &c., hereby authorized to be so held, shall not exceed in quantity one hundred and fifty acres, and that the clear yearly value of the estate now or hereafter to be held by said Vestry, (exclusive of the rents of pews, collections in churches, funeral charges, and the like,) shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

Proviso.

In force.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the day on which it may be passed.

CHAPTER 105.

Passed Mar. 6, 1856. AN ACT to authorize the erection of a Bridge across the north branch of Trent Creek, in Saint Mary's County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the County Commissioners of Saint Mary's county, be and they are hereby authorized to appoint three commissioners, who shall have the power to contract for the building of a suitable and substantial bridge across the north branch of Trent creek, on the road leading from All Faith Church, in Saint Mary's county to Benedict, in Charles county, and that said County Commissioners shall levy on the assessable property of Saint Mary's county a sum sufficient to pay for such Bridge when erected according to the contract, not to exceed the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars.

County commissioners authorized to appoint.

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