

seventy six, and until the end of the next session of the General Assembly thereafter.

CHAPTER 144.

AN ACT to make valid and effectual the devise and provisions contained in the last will and testament of John K. Rowe, dec'd, for the benefit of the Baptist Church in the village of Hereford, by granting the leave of the Legislature thereto, and creating a corporate body by the name of the Trustees of the Baptist Church, in the village of Hereford, in Baltimore county, as an essential agency for that purpose. Passed Mar. 8, 1856.

WHEREAS, John K. Rowe, by his last will and testament, dated the twenty-first December, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, duly proved, and recorded in the office of the Register of Wills of Baltimore county, in Wills Liber J. L. R., No. 1, folios 126, &c., directed his executors to sell, subject to an annual ground-rent of three dollars per front foot, two houses and lots on Camden street, in Baltimore City, therein described, of which he died seized in fee; the rent to be paid in half yearly instalments, and appropriated to the salary of a minister to preach in the Baptist Church in the village of Hereford, of the same faith and order as the Maryland Baptist Union Association, until such time as the said Church should be able to sustain itself, when the ground-rent is to go to the American and Foreign Bible Society of New York, of which he was a life-member; and whereas, it is the object of this law to give effect to so much of the will of said testator as is set forth in the above recital, &c.; therefore, Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the leave of the Legislature be and is hereby given to the devise and provisions Leave of Legislature granted.