

and any person who may be alleged to be an habitual drunkard may dispense with the legal proceedings to establish the same, and may, with the approbation of the court wherein said petition may be filed, appoint his own committee, and may voluntarily enter any institution selected by the court, for a limited time; and the board of trustees or managers of such institution may retain such person the length of time he may have agreed therein to remain; and if the person against whom the petition may be filed shall be found by the jury to be an habitual drunkard, incapable of taking care of himself, it shall be the duty of the court to appoint a committee of such person, and such committee shall, with the written assent and approbation of the court, have the power of confining such person in any suitable institution, for such length of time, as the court may, in writing, approve; but said committee, with the written assent and approbation of the court, may at any time release from confinement said habitual drunkard, and the period of confinement of said habitual drunkard may, by the said committee, with the written assent and approbation of the court, be from time to time extended, for such period as may be necessary for his complete reformation; and the words "habitual drunkard", as used in this section, shall be construed to embrace any person who may be habitually addicted to the use of alcohol, opium, cocaine, morphine or any other intoxicant.

51. Where an infant is entitled to any real *or* personal property in this State, of any kind, or entitled to a reversion, vested or contingent remainder, or an executory devise in any such property, or any use, trust or equitable interest therein, the court may, if it shall appear to be for the benefit and advantage of such infant, decree a sale thereof **]**, if the provisions of Section 52 are complied with. **]** *in a proceeding in accordance with the Maryland Rules.*

53. In all cases where it shall appear to the court **]**by proof, as provided in Section 52, **]** *in a proceeding in accordance with the Maryland Rules*, that it would be for the benefit and advantage of an infant to raise money by mortgage for improvements and repairs, made or to be made, to his real property, or for monies spent or to be spent for the maintenance, support and education of the infant, or for monies spent or to be spent for the purchase of equipment, stock, including livestock, for seeds, fertilizer, cost of cultivating and harvesting crops necessary for the maintenance, upkeep and operation of the real property intended to be encumbered, or to pay any charges, liens or encumbrances thereon, the court may, on application of the guardian or next friend of such infant decree the conveyance of any interest, estate or term of years of such infant in any lands or real estate or personal property by way of mortgage, in such form and on such conditions as the court may direct; and the court may direct the guardian of such infant to execute such conveyance. The provisions of this section are to apply to the interest or estate which any infant may hold in common or jointly with any person of full age, and to all interests or estates to which any infant may be entitled in reversion, remainder or otherwise, and the court may decree that the interest of the tenant of the particular estate, or the holder of the prior remainders may be mortgaged with the consent of such tenant or holder; and the