

thirty pounds current money, to indemnify the county from all charges that may arise for the maintainance of such child; but in case the father be a resident of any other county within this state, then the justice shall transmit, under his hand and seal, a copy of the proceedings in such case had, and the justice to whom the said proceedings shall be sent, shall forthwith proceed against the father in manner and form as is before directed.

C H A P.
XIII, XIV.

II. **Provided always,** That in case any person charged with being the father of a bastard child should think himself aggrieved by the judgment aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for the said justice, and he is hereby required, to cause such person to enter into recognizance for his appearance at the next county court; and the justices of the said county court are hereby directed to take cognizance thereof, and such proceedings shall thereupon be had as in other criminal cases; and if the person so charged be found guilty by the verdict of a jury, the court shall immediately order such person to give security to indemnify the county from any charges that may accrue for the maintainance of the said child; and if he shall neglect or refuse to give such security, he shall be committed to the custody of the sheriff until he comply; and any person swearing falsely in the premises shall suffer the same pains and penalties as persons guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury.

Provido.

C H A P. XIV.

An ACT to empower William Wilkinson and John Cradock to sell and dispose of a certain tract of land, for the purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, by the petition of John Moale, William Lynch, William Wilkinson, and John Cradock, that a certain John Worthington, late of Baltimore county, deceased, died seised in his demesne as of fee, of and in three hundred and fifty acres, part of a tract of land called Whiskey-ridge, lying in Frederick county, and intestate; and that on his decease, the said land descended upon, and became the right and estate of, his five daughters, as heirs in coparcenary; that Mary Worthington, late of said county, widow and administratrix of the said John, and mother of the said coparceners, also deceased, made her last will and testament in writing, and therein directed all her real and personal estate to be sold, and the money arising on such sale to be put out at interest, for the use and benefit of the said five coparceners, her children, and constituted your petitioners, John Moale, William Lynch, and William Wilkinson, executors thereof, and trustees for the said five children; that the said executors have taken upon themselves the execution of the said will, and the trust therein reposed in them; and that the said John Cradock had intermarried with one of the said coparceners, and is thereby entitled to, and claims partition of, the said three hundred and fifty acres of land; but as partition of so small a parcel of land would be, as they conceive, detrimental to the interest of the said coparceners, in lessening the value thereof, and that a sale of the whole would be beneficial to them; and the said John Cradock being willing such sale should be made, the said petitioners prayed, that an act of assembly should pass, to enable them, or any

Preamble.