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CXI.

shall be judges of the elections of members of the house of representatives of the United States, as also of the elections of electors of president and vice-president of the United States, held in the city of Baltimore as a part of the said several fifth districts, and shall have and exercise all the rights and authorities respecting such elections which were vested in the commissioners of Baltimore-town by the act to which this is a supplement, and the supplementary acts thereto, any thing to the contrary hereof in the said acts notwithstanding.

C H A P. CXII.

Passed Jan. 26.

An ACT to authorise Jane Green, administratrix of Valentine Green, to dispose of part of the real estate of said Green, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that a benefit and advantage will result to the estate of Valentine Green, late of Caroline county, deceased, and to the orphans interested therein, by authorising the administratrix of the said Green to dispose of part of the real estate thereof; therefore,

J. Green to dispose of a lot of ground, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Jane Green, administratrix of Valentine Green, be and she is hereby authorised and directed to dispose of, by way of public vendue, on or before the first Monday of May next, by giving at least four weeks notice previous to the day of sale in some public paper, all that lot of ground in the village of Hillsborough, in Caroline county, containing about one and a half acres, part of a tract of land called Baynard's Large Range Addition, with the improvements thereon, on a credit of twelve months, the purchaser giving bond, on interest, from date, with security, to be approved by the orphans court of Caroline county.

Bond to be taken in the name of the state, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the bond for the amount of the property when sold shall be taken in the name of the state of Maryland, and for the use and benefit of the estate of said Green and the orphans interested therein, and deposited with the register of wills of Caroline county, and by him safely to be kept until the expiration of the credit given on the sale of said lot and improvements aforesaid, when he is hereby authorised and directed to put the said bond in suit, and the money, when recovered, shall be paid over by the said register to the guardian or guardians of the said Green's children, in such proportion or proportions as shall appear to be due to the orphan or orphans from a final settlement of the estate of said Green; provided nevertheless, that if it shall appear to the orphans court of Caroline county, that there is not a sufficiency of personal estate to satisfy the claims against the estate of said Green, the orphans court aforesaid may and they are hereby required to direct the application of the money, or such part thereof as may appear to them necessary, to the payment of the said Green's debts, and the balance, if any, paid to the guardians as aforesaid, any thing in this act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Compensation for dower.

IV. AND, whereas the widow and administratrix of the said Valentine Green hath her right of dower in the said property, and it is reasonable she should have a proportionate compensation for the same; therefore, BE IT ENACTED, That the sixth part of the money arising from the sale of the before-mentioned property, when recovered by the said register, be paid to Jane Green, widow and administratrix of Valentine Green, as a compensation for her dower in the said property.

J. Green to make a deed, &c.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said Jane Green be authorised, and she is hereby empowered, to make the purchaser a deed in fee-simple of the said lot of ground, which deed shall vest in him as complete a title in fee as if the same had been deeded by Valentine Green in his lifetime, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; provided, that the said Jane Green shall not proceed to sell the said lot of ground, or any part thereof, before a written permission to that effect is signed by the orphans court of Caroline county, which permission shall also certify that the sale of said lot of ground and improvements will be of benefit and advantage to the estate of Valentine Green, and to the orphans interested therein, which written permission shall be enrolled among the records of the orphans court of Caroline county.

C H A P. CXIII.

An ACT to lay a tax on billiard tables.

Passed Jan. 20.

Clerk to grant licences, &c.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the clerk of each county be and he is hereby empowered and authorised to grant a licence to such person or persons as may apply for permission to keep a billiard table, for every of which licence there shall be paid the sum of fifty dollars respectively, to be appropriated to the use of the counties.

To be renewed annually, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That during the continuance of this act all licences for keeping billiard tables shall be renewed annually, on the first day of April, on pain that any person thus omitting or neglecting to renew his licence, and continuing to keep open his billiard table for use, shall be liable to all the penalties mentioned in this act; and provided, that any person applying for a licence after the first day of April, shall pay in proportion to the time the said licence has to run, ending on the last day of March, annually.

Penalty for keeping without licence.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That any person or persons keeping or exhibiting for use a billiard table or tables, without first obtaining a licence as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, one half to the informer, and the other half to the county, to be recovered by indictment in the county court in which such offence may be committed.

Provided.

IV. PROVIDED ALWAYS, That nothing in this act shall be construed to extend in its operation to the cities of Annapolis, George-town, Baltimore, or the precincts of Baltimore.

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