

Dec. Ses 1821. ty as commissioners, whose duty it shall be to ascertain and point out such schools in their respective districts as shall in their opinion be entitled to receive a part of the school fund of said county, except as herein before provided; and in case of death, resignation, removing out of the district, or refusal to serve, the said court shall appoint another or others in their place or places, so that the said number of five commissioners in each district shall always be kept full.

Funds to be divided equally amongst election districts—poor white children to be educated—accounts to be settled annually.

8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said justices shall annually divide all such funds as shall come into their hands in virtue of the provisions of this act and the act to which this is a further supplement, equally between the three election districts of said county; and shall place one third part thereof at the disposition of the commissioners of these respective districts, whose duty it shall be to appropriate and apply the same to the education of poor white children—that is to say, children who are poor orphans, or whose parents are unable to pay for their educations; and it shall be the duty of the commissioners of each respective district, to settle an account annually on the second Monday of April, with the orphans' court of said county, shewing in what manner the monies which hath been intrusted to their care has been expended, what number of poor children hath been thereby educated, and what length of time, and what sum of money, if any, still remains on hand unappropriated.

To return an account annually to the legislature.

9. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices of the orphans' court of said county, shall annually return an account to the general assembly of this state, shewing the amount of the funds belonging to said county, the annual income thereof, and in what manner the same has been appropriated.

Repeal.

10. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all laws heretofore passed, that are inconsistent with or repugnant to the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 140.

Passed Feb. 6, 1822. *An act for the benefit of Marcellus Keene, of the City of Baltimore.*

May import certain slaves.

BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland,* That at any time after the passage of this act, Marcellous Keene, of the city of Baltimore, be, and he is hereby authorised to bring into this state and them to retain as slaves, the following negroes, viz: Benjamin, Lauretto and Maria, from the state of Kentucky, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; *Provided nevertheless,* That nothing in this act be construed to authorise a disposition of said slaves, except in cases of disposition by last will and testament, and dispositions by law for bona fide debts, or consequent upon intestacies, in less than three whole years after the passage of this act. *And provided moreover,* That the said Marcellus Keene shall cause the said negroes to be registered in the records of Baltimore county court within six months after they shall have been brought into this state.

Proviso.

CHAPTER 141.

Passed Feb. 6, 1822. *An act to authorise the establishment of an additional Ware-house in the city of Baltimore for the inspection of Tobacco.*

May erect a ware-house—where.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Christopher Hughes, of the city of Baltimore, be, and he is hereby authorised to build, at his own expense, upon certain ground