

An ACT to enable the trustees of the poor in Frederick county to sell the houses and ground therein mentioned. Lib. GR. fol. 107.

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WHEREAS the trustees of the poor in Frederick county have, by their humble petition, represented to the general assembly, that there is on the lot of ground purchased for the purpose of building a house for the use and accommodation of the poor of the said county, a dwelling-house, and some out houses, which are now of no use to the public, other than renting them for the annual sum of twenty-five pounds current money; that in a short time the repairs necessary to be made to them will be considerable; that the interest of the money which the said houses, with a small portion of the ground, would sell for, will far exceed the annual rent: And whereas the said trustees pray that an act may pass, empowering them to sell the said houses, with as much ground adjoining thereto as they think can be conveniently spared without injury to the poor-house lot, and to apply the money arising from the sale thereof in discharge of the debts now due from the said trustees, and for the support of the poor; and it appearing to the general assembly to be reasonable that the said trustees should have a power to sell the said house and ground for the purposes above recited;

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the trustees of the poor of Frederick county, or any three of them, be and are hereby empowered to sell, by public vendue, the houses the houses, &c. afore said, with as much ground adjoining the same as they in their judgment think can be conveniently spared without injuring the poor-house lot, provided the quantity of ground exposed to sale do not exceed half an acre.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said trustees, or any three of them, may and they are hereby required and directed to apply the money arising from the sale of the said houses and ground in discharge of the debts now due from the trustees of the poor of the said county, and which may hereafter become due. And apply the money.

C H A P. VII.
An ACT to ascertain and establish a divisional line between Anne-
Arundel and Calvert counties. Lib. GR. fol. 108.

WHEREAS the line of division between Anne-Arundel and Calvert counties is not well ascertained, by means whereof inconveniencies have arisen, and in particular, divers persons, living near the borders of those counties, have not contributed any thing towards the public expences;

II. BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED, That for fixing and ascertaining the said divisional line, the following persons be and are hereby authorised and empowered to act as commissioners, viz. For Anne-Arundel county, Mr. John Weems and Mr. Richard Green; for Calvert county, Mr. Edward Gantt and Mr. William Lyles; which said commissioners, or the major part of them, shall and are hereby authorised and required to meet at some place near the borders of said counties, and call before them, by summons to be issued by them, and directed to the sheriff of the county, all persons who may be deemed proper to give testimony concerning the ancient and reputed division of said counties; and the said commissioners, or the major part of them, are also hereby empowered to search the records of the general court, or any county court, for testimonials, to ascertain the division line aforesaid, and shall be allowed at the rate of fifteen shillings each, per day, for their expences, and may also appoint a clerk, who shall have the same allowance for his attendance; and all witnesses attending the said commissioners shall be allowed the same as witnesses attending the county courts; the said expences, and all other charges accruing in consequence of this act, to be paid by the said counties of Anne-Arundel and Calvert, in proportion to the assessment of property in those counties respectively; and the said commissioners, or the major part of them, shall and they are hereby required to return their proceedings, together with the proofs whereon the same may be founded, to the next general assembly, for their approbation, and that the same division, if found reasonable, may be there ratified and confirmed.

An ACT for recruiting the quota of troops of this state of the American army, and furnishing them with cloathing and other necessaries. Lib. GR. fol. 109.

WHEREAS an enlistment of volunteers on bounty is the most eligible mode to furnish two Preamble.
thousand men for recruiting our quota of the American army,

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