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THE KENT NEWS.

Frustra laborat, qui omnibus placere studet—"He labours vainly, who endeavours to please very one."

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Laws of Maryland.

No. 230

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session which commenced on the last Monday of December, eighteen hundred and forty seven.

AN ACT entitled, a further Supplement to the Act entitled an Act imposing a tax on commissions allowed to Executors and Administrators; to aid in paying the debts of the State, passed at december session, eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter one hundred and eighty-four.

Whereas, doubts have arisen under the Act of eighteen and forty-five, chapter three hundred & ninety-one being a Supplement to the Act of eighteen hundred and forty four, chapter one hundred and eighty-four,) whether an Executor or Administrator is bound to pay any tax when he claims no Commissions, therefore to remove all such doubts.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall be the duty of the Orphans' Court of the county in which letters testamentary or of administration are granted, to fix and determine in every case, the amount of the commission to which the executor or administrator is by law entitled; and when a legacy is left by any testator to his executor, in way of compensation, the said legacy shall be reckoned in the Commissions fixed and determined by the Orphans' Court aforesaid; and the executor or administrator shall pay the tax for the benefit of the State of one-tenth part of the sum so allowed or fixed by said Court for commissioners as aforesaid, *provided*, that nothing in this act shall be construed to affect any administration granted prior to the first day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-five or any administration which before the first day of June next, shall have been finally settled, and closed with the Orphans' Court any county or of Howard District.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the second, third and fourth sections of the Act of December session eighteen-hundred and forty five, chapter three hundred and ninety-one, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the sixth and seventh sections of the Act of seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, chapter one hundred and one, sub, chapter fourteen, be, and the same are hereby repealed; *provided*, that nothing in this section contained shall in any way affect any administrations granted undersaid sections or either of them, of said act of seventeen hundred and ninety eight, prior to the first day of June next, or any bond given under said sections, or either of them, or any rights or proceedings under such administration or given before the first dap of June next, but all the rights of parties under any sup such administration or bond, granted or given under said sections, or either of them before the said first day of June next, shall be the same as if this act had not been passed.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of every Executor or Administrator, to whom letters testamentary or of administration shall hereafter be granted, in addition to the oath or affirmation now required by the act of seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, chapter one hundred and one, sup chapter three, section twelve, to be taken by executors and administrators, to take an additional oath or affirmation, that he or she will deligently and faithfully regard and well and truly comply with the provisions of the act imposing a tax on commissioners allowed to executors and administrators, and to aid in paying the debts of the State, and of the supplements thereto; which oath or affirmation the respective Registers of Wills are hereby required to administer, and to place the same on record with the usual oath or affirmation, and that the sixth section of the act of eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter one hundred and eighty-four, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

D. CLAUDE,
ap 13 2aw3w Treasury.

Laws of Maryland.

No. 54.

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session, which commenced on the last Monday of December, 1847.

AN ACT, entitled a Supplement to the Act of December session, eighteen hundred and forty-three, chapter two hundred and eighty-four, entitled "An act to tax the commissioners of certain officers of this State.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act, when commissioners are delivered to the respective officers and appointees hereinafter named, they shall severally pay to the clerks from whom they shall receive the said commissioners, the sums following, to wit; the Sheriff of Baltimore city, the sum of three hundred dollars; the sheriffs of Baltimore county, Frederick county and Washington county, the sum of one hundred dollars each; the sheriff of Allegany county, the sum of seventy-five dollars; the sheriffs of Carroll county, and Harford county, of Kent county, Dorchester county, Anne Arundel county, Worchester county, Somerset county and Cecil county, the sum of forty dollars each; the sheriffs of Prince George's county and Howard District, the sum of thirty dollars each; the sheriffs of Caroline county, Montgomery county, Talbot county, charles county, Queen Anne's county, Calvert county, and Saint Mary's county, the sum of twenty dollars each; the Inspectors of Flour in Baltimore city, the sum of four hundred dollars each; the Commissioners of Lotteries, tobacco Inspectors of Baltimore city, Judges of the orphans' Court of Baltimore city and county, Inspectors of Fish, Inspectors of Leather, Gugers of Liquor, Inspectors of Lumber in Baltimore city Inspectors of Cord Wood, the Inspectors of Guano, and Weigher of Liver Stock, the sum of fifty dollars each; the Warden of the Penitentiary of Baltimore city, Commissioners of Insolvent Debtors, and Inspectors of Lime, the sum of thirty dollars each; the Inspectors of Shingles, inspectors of Plaster of Paris, each Inspector of of Lumber in Port Deposite, and Perryville, Cecil county, and each Notary Public in the city of Baltimore, and the Examiner General, the sum of twenty dollars each; Inspectors of Green Hides and Skins, State Wharfinger, Inspecters of ground black Oak Bark, County Surveyors, and Wreck Masters in Worcester county, the sum of ten dollars each, the Judges of the Orphans' Court in Howard District any counties, except Baltimore, Notary Publics out of the city of Baltimore, and Armorers at Frederick and Easton, the sum of six dollars each; and all other persons holding biennial civil appointments under the Executive, the sum of two dollars each.

Sec 2. *And be it enacted*, That in case any of those officers named in the first section of this act, who are appointed by the Government, shall neglect to apply for their commissioners and pay the tax by by this actimposed thereon, for three months after the time when the said commissioners are transfered to the several county clerks, such neglect shall be considered a refusal to accept said commissioners, and it shall be the duty of said clerks respectively to send a list of the officers neglecting to apply as aforsaid, to the Governor of this State, who shall then proceed to appoint other persons in their stead; provided, that nothing in this section contained shall apply to such person as are appointed Justices of the Peace.

D CLAUDE,
April 29—3w. Treasurer.

Laws of Maryland.

No. 244.

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session, which commenced on the last Monday of December, 1847.

A FURTHER supplement to the act entitled an act to regulate sales by public auction.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That no duties shall be chargeable upon any goods, wares, merchandise or property, sold by any auctioneer at private sale on the days of his public auction, or unless the same be sold at the place of his public auction, or unless the same be part of what was offered for sale at said public auction, or was advertised to be sold at said public auction.

D. CLAUDE,
April 29—3w. Treasurer.

LAWS OF MARYLAND

No. 255.

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session, which commenced on the last Monday of December, 1847

AN ACT RELATING TO MORTGAGES, Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the mortgagor in any mortgage or deed, or conveyance, executed after the passage of this act, in addition to the covenant usual in such deeds, to covenant for the payment of all taxes, assessments, public dues or charges, levied or to be levied by law, on the mortgage debt, or debts created, or secured by such mortgage.

D. CLAUDE,
April 29—3w. Treasurer.

Laws of Maryland.

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session which commenced on the last Monday of December, 1847.

No. 262.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled "an act imposing duties on Promissory Notes, Bills of Exchange, Specialities and other instruments of writing, to aid in paying the debts of the State"

Sec. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Commissioner of Loans, or other officers appointed under the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, shall account with and pay over to the Treasurer, on the first day of March, June, September and December, in every year, all sums of money received under said act, under the penalties provided by the fifth section of said act.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the Commissioner of Loans be, and he hereby is authorized, to employ a clerk, at a salary not exceeding five hundred dollars per annum, to be paid out of the moneys received from stamps.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be in full force, from after the passage of this act.

D. CLAUDE,
April 29, 1848. Treasurer.

LEVY COURT NOTICE.

The Levy Court of Kent county will meet at the Court House, in Chester Town, on Tuesday the 11th and Wednesday the 12th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M., and will continue to meet at the same time and place and hour every Tuesday and Wednesday, until the 21th of June next, for the purpose of altering and correcting the accounts of such persons as have sold, alienated, or transferred, any assessable property, since the first day of June last, and also for the purpose of attending to any other business that may come before them. After the 21st day of June next no alteration whatever will be made in the assessment.

The Levy Court particularly requests all Supervisors and Constables, to bring in their accounts and renew their bonds on or before the 1st Tuesday in May next, and that all supervisors report the number of gates on their respective roads. All supervisors and constables neglecting this notice will be considered as resigned or refused to serve in the office to which they have been appointed and the Court will proceed to fill the vacancy.

The Levy Court will require all accounts presented to said Court, to be under oath (which oath can now be administered by the Court,) and the several items chargeable in the same to be made out at length; and all new applications for pensions to be made by petition in writing, stating the residence, condition, circumstances of the applicant, and signed by one or more persons having a knilledge of the facts therein set forth.

The Court will require all new applicants for the office of Constable, to file their application in writing, with the clerk to the Levy Court, and also a recommendation from the citizens of their immediate neighborhood, stating that the applicant is a suitable person to fill said office, and that public convenience requires said appointment.

Agreeable to an act of the General Assembly, entitled "An act for the re-valuation of the real and personal property in Kent county," passed at December session 1834, is enacted, viz:—'That if any Executor, Guardian or Trustee, shall hereinafter fail to inform the Commissioners of Tax—or Levy Court—of the transfer of any property belonging to any deceased person, ward, or estate in trust, of which he or she may be Executor, Administrator, or Guardian or Trustee, shall be liable for the trx on the same; until the Commissioners of Tax—or Levy Court—shall be properly notified of such transfer.

J. F. GORDON,
Cl'k Levy Court of Kent county.
April 3, '48.

Trustee's Sale.

BY virtue of a decree of the High Court of Chancery, the undersigned, as Trustee, will expose to public sale, on MONDAY, the 15th of MAY next, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, at the Tavern porch of Mr. C. B. Tilden, in Chestertown at half past 11 o'clock, A. M., two undivided fifths of the McLean LOT, which is a part of the Lot distinguished on the plot of said town by the No. 79. This part of the Lot, (No. 79) is situated on the corner of High and Princess street and adjoins the Property of Mrs. Richard Ringgold and Mrs. Harriet Tilghman.

THE TERMS of sale, as prescribed by the Decree are: the whole purchase money shall be cash, to be paid on the day of sale, or on the ratification thereof by the Chancellor, upon the payment of the whole purchase money, the Trustee is authorized to execute a deed for two undivided fifths of the said premises.

RICHARD HYNSON,
April 22,—tds. Trustee.

ESTATE OF FRANCES JERVIS.

Maryland, Kent county, Orphan's Court, April 29, 1848.

On application of Joseph Anthony, Admr. of Frances Jervis, late of Kent co. dec'd.

Ordered, That he give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks in the Kent News, printed in Chestertown.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of the Orphans' Court of the county aforesaid, I have hereunto set my hand and the [Seal] seal of my office, affixed this 25th day of April, 1848.

Test, EBEN. WELCH,
Register of Wills for Kent county.

In compliance with the above Order this is to give notice that the subscriber of Kent county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county Md, letters of Administration, on the personal estate of Frances Jervis, late of Kent co., dec'd. All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, on or before the 15th of November, 1848, they may otherwise be excluded from the benefit of the said estate.

Given under my hand, this 25th day of April 1848.

JOS. ANTHONY, Admr.
of Frances Jervis, dec'd.
April 29, '48. 3w

BUTCHERING!

THE subscriber respectfully announces to the public that he has re-commenced the above bosiness and intends to carry on the Butchering business, in all its various branches. He will attend at the Market House every Wednesday and Saturday morning's with the best FRESH MEAT the Market can afford, until 9 o'clock, and will be prepared to supply those wishing to buy, every day in the week, (Sunday's excepted,) at his

OLD STAND,

(up town,) He would also inform the public that he feels thankful for the very liberal patronage extended to him, and earnestly hopes by paying a strict attention to business and a desire to please all to merit a continuance of the public patronage. GEO. B. USILTON.

N. B.—To Farmers having fat Stock, for sale, they will please give me a call before they sell, as I intend giving liberal prices and as usual pay the cash.

April 29—3w. G. B. U.

ESTATE OF BENJAMIN ANTHONY.

Md., Kent county, Orphans' Court, April 25, 1848.

On the application of Joseph Anthony Admr. of Benj. Anthony, late of Kent county, dec'd.

Ordered, that he give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate and that the same be published once a week for the space of three successive weeks in the Kent News, printed in Chester Town.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of the Orphans' Court of the county aforesaid, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office, [Seal.] affixed this 25th day of April, 1848.

Tes', EBEN. WELCH,
Reg. of Wills for Kent county.

In compliance with the above Order this is to give notice, that the subscriber of Kent county hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, Maryland, letters of Administration on the personal estate of Benjamin Anthony, late of Kent co. dec'd. All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber on or before the 15th November next, they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand, this 25th day of April, 1848.

JOS. ANTHONY,
Admr. Benjamin Anthony, dec'd.
April 29, '48.

Laws of Maryland.

Passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at their session which commenced on the last Monday of December, 1847.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT to the Act "entitled an Act to regulate the issuing of Licenses to traders, keepers of ordinaries, and others," passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, chapter one hundred and seventeen.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the provisions of the first section of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the December session, eighteen hundred and forty-six, chapter two hundred and forty-nine, shall not hereafter be held to prohibit the sale of any Leather, Iron or Tobacco, by the person who manufactured the same, without having first obtained a License as required.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That hereafter it shall be lawful for any manufacturer of leather, iron or tobacco, to sell and dispose of said articles of his own manufacture, without the license required by said Act.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all Act and parts of Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed, so far as they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

D. CLAUDE, Treasurer.
May 6, '48. 3w

A CARD.

MRS. J. A. F. BAKER,

HAS just returned from the city and is now opening a fine assortment of

BONNET, RIBBONS, LAWNS, BARAGES, of different kinds and figures and various kinds of DOMESTIC GOODS, Which she will sell very cheap.

☞ Bleaching, Pressing and Trimming done at the shortest notice.

April 29, 1848.

SLOUCH HATS.

Men's, boys and children's white, black and pearl slouches. Fur, silk, leghorn, braid and palm HATS—cloth and glazed caps.—☞ For sale at very low prices at

JAS. ARTHUR'S
Hat Store, 1 door above Wiley & Perkins.
May 6, 1848.

Fashionable black Leghorn and Palm Leaf Hats and oil cloth CAPS, for sale very cheap by

April 29. Wilmer & Nichols.

Purse Silk and Beads—also, Sun Shades and Fans, by Wilmer & Nicols.

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POETRY.

GENTLE WORDS.

A young rose in summer time
Is beautiful to me.
And glorious the many stars
That glimmer on the sea;
But gentle words and loeing hearts
And hands to clasp my own,
Are better than the brighest flowers,
Fi stars that ever shone.

The sun may warm the grass to life,
The dew, the drooping flower,
And eyes grows bright, and watch the light,
Of Autumn's opening hour;
But words that breathe of tenderness,
And smiles we know are true;
Are warmer than the summer time,
And brighter than the dew.

It is not much the world can give,
With all its subtle art,
And gold or gems are not the things
To satisfy the heart;
But oh! if those who cluster round
The altars and the hearth,
Have gentle words and loving smiles,
How beautiful is earth!

MISCELLANEOUS

SAD CHANGES OF FORTUNE.

"Do you give out work here?" said a voice so soft, so low so lady-like, that I involuntary started and looked up.

"Do you give out work here?"

"Not to strangers," was the rude reply; the stranger turned and walked away.

I left the shop and followed the strange lady.

Passing Thompson's she pansed—went in—hesitated—then turned and came out. I now saw her face—it was very pale—her hair, dark as night, was parted on her forehead—her eyes, too; were very black and there was a wildness in them that made me shudder. She passed on up Broadway to Grand street, where she entered a miserable looking dwelling. I paused—should I follow further? She was evidently suffering much. I was blessed in husband, children, friends! I knocked—the door was opened by a cross-looking woman.

"Is there a person living here who does plain sewing?" I inquired.

"I guess not," was the reply. "There is a woman up stairs, who used to work, but she can't get no more to do—and I shall turn her out to-morrow."

"Let me go up," said I, as passing the woman with a shudder, I ascended the stairs.

"You can keep on the garret," she screamed after me, and so I did—and there I saw a sight, of which, I, the child of affluence, had never dreamed! The lady had thrown off her hat, and was kneeling by the side of a poor, low bed. He hair had fallen over her shoulders—she sobbed not, breathed not—but seemed motionless—her face buried in the covering of the wretched, miserable bed, on which lay her husband. He was sleeping. I looked upon his high, pale forehead, around which clung masses of damp, brown hair—it was knit, and the pale hand clenched the bedclothes—words broke from his lips—"I cannot pay you now," I heard him say. Poor fellow!—Even in his dreams, his poverty haunted him. I could bear it no longer, and knocked gently at the door. The lady raised her hand, threw back her long black hair and gazed wildly on me. It was no time for ceremony; sickness, sorrow, want, perhaps starvation, were before me. "I came to look for a person to do plain work," was all I could say.

"Oh, give it to me," she sobbed. "Two days we have not tasted food! and to morrow———" She gasped and tried to finish the sentence, but could not. She knew that to-morrow they would be both homeless and starving.

"Be comforted, you shall want no more!"

I kept my word. In a few days she told me all; of days of happiness in a sunny West Indian Isle, her childhood's home.—Of the death of her father and mother, of a cruel sister and brother in-law; how she left that home, hoping to find a brother in America; how she sought in vain, but found instead, a husband; he too an Englishman, a gentleman, a scholar, had been thrown upon the world. Sympathy deepened into love; alone in a crowd, all the world to each other, they married. He procured employments in a school; she, plain needle-work. Too close attention to the duties of his school, long walks, and scanty fare, brought ill health, and confined him at length to his bed.

The shop from which this poor wife obtained work failed, and their resources were cut off. She had looked long, weary days for employment, many had none to give, others "gave no work to strangers." Thus I found them, to comfort them for a little time; then, I trust, they found a comforter in Heaven!

The husband died first, died, pressing the hand of his poor wife in mine. It needed not the mute appealing look he gave me. I took her to my own happy home—but it was too late!

It is a very little time ago, I went one morning to her room. She had passed a restles night; had dreamed, she said, of her dear George; she called me her kind and only friend; begged me to sit a little while beside her, and looked up so sadly in my face, that my own heart seemed well nigh breaking. I left her not again.

In the still deep night I heard her murmer, 'Sister Anne, do not speak so harshly to me!—Oh, mamma, why do you leave me?" Then again she said, "Give me an orange, my sister; I am very faint." Her soul was again in her own sunny home.

"Lay me by my George, and God will bless you," were her last words to me. I laid my hushed children to look upon her sweet pale face, as she lay in her coffin.—They had never seen sorrow or death, and then I gave them the first knowledge of both; then I told them of the sin, the cruelty of those who wound the "stranger's" heart.

SPRING.

BY DOW, JR.

Why, my friends, Spring can start fresh and vigorous plants from the ostensibly barren soil of an over-tilled mind—twine a flowery wreath of hope round the pale brow of Despair—give strength, new life and activity to the pinions of frost-bitten hand to the clock of existence had been set back one quarter, at least, of its little circle. In fact, Spring can do almost anything in the way of favoring poor humanity, except dyeing gray hairs in the whiskers of an old bachelor, taking out the superfluous curls and mortifying wrinkles of an elderly maiden, transmografying decrepid Age into buoyant Youth, and mending our old shoes.

My hearers—while you behold sweet Spring waving her magic wand, and awakening dull earth into life, pristine beauty and loveliness, you cannot but hope that you will vegetate for another year—that new flowers will start up along the pathway of life—and that all your prospects will be crowned with success, even as the blossoms of promise put forth by May are fulfilled by the golden fruits of Autumn.—And you also behold a general resurrection of bugs and vegation around you; you may go to your mortal bed at last in full confidence that after having taken a short nap in the cold winry grave, you will start up and flourish again, like pig-weeds in an unmolested garden. So mote it be!

IRELAND VS ENGLAND.—In company, an English lady, half jocularly, of course, attributed a very polite readiness for wine to the daughters of Erin. I believe that in Ireland," she observed, "it is quite customary for a lady, if she only catches the eye of a gentleman earnestly directed to her at dinner-table, to say, "Port, if you please." Promptitude is the order of the day."

"Yes," replied the Irish lady, not overpleased with the insinuation, and determined to repay it with interest, "and the promptitude takes another direction in your country."

"How do you mean?"

"Why, when an English lady finds a gentleman's eye upon her at table, I understand she averts her countenance, and blushing, says, in her gentlest tone, 'You must ask papa."

☞ We learn from an authentic source, that the authorities of Cuba are very much afraid that we shall annex that Island to the United States. "Speaking of guns," we may as well mention a saying of that noted Washington wag, Matthew St Clair Clarke. Mr. Fakenham, the British Minister, one day said to him—

"Why I expect you will next annex England."

"Hush! Hush!" said Clarke, "if you put it into our people's heads, I'll be hanged if they don't do it."

N. Y. Morning Star.

AFTER A STORM COMES A CALM.—A gentlemen talking to a friend on the subject of marriage, made the following observation:—"I first saw my wife in a [illegible] carried her to a ball in a storm; [illegible] her in a storm; was published in a storm; married in a storm; [illegible] her in *pleasant* weather!" [illegible] scholar, as the monkey said when he tried on the gentleman's boots.