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An Act authorising a Lottery for the preservation and distribution of the Vaccine Matter, for the use of the Citizens of this State.
 Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 299.

Passed Jan 6, 1810

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that it is of great importance to the public that a regular and uninterrupted supply of the genuine vaccine matter should be secured to, and distributed among, the citizens of this state free of expense, from a source which may be always relied on with safety: And whereas Doctor James Smith, of the city of Baltimore, hath proposed to use his best exertions to accomplish this desirable object; therefore,

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That William Wilson, Robert Stewart, Luke Tiernan, Henry Shroeder, Aaron Levering, Samuel Harden, Doctor John Cromwell, Doctor William H. Clendenen, James W. Collins, John W. Glenn, Andrew Agnew, Alexander McDonald, Edward G. Woodyear, Edward J. Coale, Peter Hoffman, jun. and Doctor James Smith, are appointed managers, and they, or a majority of them, may institute and establish a lottery or lotteries in the city of Baltimore, to raise a sum of money, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, clear of expenses, sufficient to procure a piece of ground, and to build thereon a convenient house for the purpose of a vaccine institution, and to defray all other expenses incurred by Doctor James Smith to procure and distribute the vaccine matter, free of any costs, to the citizens of this state; *Provided however*, that before the managers above appointed proceed to the sale of any ticket or tickets in the said lottery or lotteries, the aforesaid Doctor James Smith shall give bond to the state of Maryland, with security to be approved of by the mayor of the city of Baltimore, in the penalty of ten thousand dollars, conditioned, that he, the said James Smith, shall use his best exertions to procure, and well and faithfully to preserve, the genuine vaccine matter, and distribute the same, with instructions, if required, for the use thereof, for a period of six years from this time, free of expense, to any of the citizens of this state applying for the same, and it shall be the duty of the said James Smith to lodge the said bond in the clerk's office of Baltimore county court, there to be recorded, within sixty days after it may be executed and approved of as above mentioned; *And provided also*, that before the managers above appointed proceed to the sale of any ticket or tickets in said lottery or lotteries, they, or a majority of them, shall give bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of sixty thousand dollars, conditioned that they will well and truly apply the monies arising therefrom, within six months after the drawing thereof, to the payment of any prizes to whom they shall be due, and that after deducting all necessary expenses incurred in the management thereof, they shall pay over to the aforesaid Doctor James Smith the neat profits arising from said lottery or lotteries, to be by him applied to the purposes above mentioned, and to carry this law into full effect; and the said bond shall be lodged in the clerk's office of Baltimore county, to be there recorded, and upon such bond, or any office copy thereof, suit or suits may be instituted for any breach or noncompliance with the conditions thereof.

Managers appointed, and authorised to institute lotteries.

Provisos.