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one or more creditable witness or witnesses, or by his or their confession, shall forfeit and pay the sum of sixty dollars for every such offence; one moiety of which sum so forfeited to be paid to the informer or prosecutor, and the other moiety thereof to be paid to the sheriff of the county where the recovery shall be had, to be by him accounted for to the justices of the levy court of such county, and by them applied towards defraying the county charges.

Repugnant acts repealed.

3 AND BE IT ENACTED, That all such parts of the act to which this is a supplement, as are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and are hereby repealed.

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CHAPTER 92.

An act to incorporate the trustees of the Jerusalem Church, in Frederick county.

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Passed Jan. 24, 1814.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Baltimore counties have by their petition set forth that they have purchased a lot of ground and have erected thereon a house for public worship, and pray for an act of incorporation for the regulation and organization of said house of worship, and it appearing reasonable that the prayer of said petition be granted: *Therefore,*

Trustees incorporated.— Succession.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED *by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That George Eberhart, George Matthias, Jacob Bixler, William Hinkle, Henry Wareham and Adam Bisk, from and immediately after the passing of this act, shall be, and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of the trustees of the Jerusalem Church, and that they, the said trustees, by the name aforesaid, and their successors, to be elected as hereinafter mentioned, shall have a perpetual succession, and shall be able and capable in law to purchase, take, have, hold, receive and to enjoy to themselves and their successors, in fee simple, or for any lesser estate, any property, real, personal or mixed, which by the constitution and laws of this state may be acquired and held by any religious society:

Proviso.

Provided nevertheless, That such property shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, and also that the said trustees, by the name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity, in as full and effectual manner as any other person or persons, bodies politic or corporate may sue or be sued, plead or be impleaded; and that it shall and may be lawful for the said trustees, by the name aforesaid, to cause to be made and used one common seal to authenticate all acts and instruments of writing respecting their business, and the same at pleasure to alter and renew.