

in their discretion to sell at either public or private sale and on such reasonable terms as may be to said County Commissioners seem to the best public interest, the whole or any part of the growing timber on the land aforesaid without selling the said land or any part thereof, and to execute such instruments of writing as may be proper to pass title to said timber to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, and at the same time to grant and convey to the purchaser or purchasers of such timber as may be sold, such rights of way and rights of storage and mill sites as may seem right and proper to said County Commissioners. It is the intention hereof to authorize and empower said County Commissioners to sell said timber and lands together or separately as to the said County Commissioners may seem to the best interest; provided, however, that before the said property and timber or either of them or any part of either of them shall be sold at private sale it shall first be offered by public auction, after notice of at least three successive weeks in some newspaper of general circulation in Worcester County and published therein, stating the time, place, manner and terms of sale.

1910, ch. 396. 1920 Code, sec. 5. 1924, ch. 313.

5. Upon the sale of the whole of said property it shall be the duty of said County Commissioners of Worcester County to invest the proceeds of said sale in interest bearing securities, the income from which is to be used for the care and maintenance of the needy poor of said County under the supervision of said County Commissioners. If at any time said County Commissioners of Worcester County shall desire to use a part or the whole of said fund for the purchase of other property in Worcester County, for the care and maintenance of the needy poor of said County, and for the erection thereon of suitable buildings, if such buildings are not already on the property so purchased, they shall have power to do so.

1914, ch. 737. 1920 Code, sec. 5A.

6. Authority is hereby given the County Commissioners of Worcester County to sell or lease to the Maryland Agriculture College* for demonstration work, any part or all of the Almshouse farm in Worcester County, and the demonstration work to be done under the supervision of the Maryland Agricultural College.

BERLIN.†

1908, ch. 733. 1920 Code, sec. 6.

7. The inhabitants of Berlin, in Worcester County, are a body corporate under the name and title of the Mayor and Council of Berlin, and as such body corporate shall have perpetual succession, and by the said

*Now University of Maryland.

†Ch. 584, 1920, authorized Berlin to issue \$50,000 of improvement bonds, subject to referendum vote. Ch. 181, 1924, authorized Berlin to issue \$10,000 of bonds for referendum vote.