

the proper Use and Benefit of them or either of them: Any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom to the contrary, notwithstanding.

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And whereas, by the Laws of England, the Age is not allowed to any but the Heir at Law; and it appears to this General Assembly, that Children, other than the Heir at Law, are within the same Reason; and the allowing thereof here, will be advantageous to Minors,

Be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all Persons under the Age of Twenty One Years, who shall hereafter be entitled to any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, by Purchase, shall not be obliged, during their Minority, to answer any Suit or Ejectment in Relation to the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, any more, or otherwise than they would be, if such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, became their Right by Descent.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That every Administrator obliged by the Act, Intituled, An Act for the Application of such Intestates Estates as leave no legal Representatives, &c. to pay the Ballance of the Estate to one of the publick Treasurers, shall hereafter be obliged to pay and satisfy the Ballance of such Estate, to the Visitors of the publick School of the County, where the Deceas'd resided, in the same Manner as such Administrator should have been obliged by Law to pay the same to any legal Representative. In Case any such should have appeared to be apply'd to the Use of such School, save that by the Acts now in Force, sundry Particulars of the Goods and Chattels are directed to be paid in Specie, according to Appraisement, to the legal Representatives; In this Case, such Administrator shall pay the said Ballance of such Estate in Current Money, or in Specie, at the Direction of the Visitors: For the Payment whereof, if in Current Money, he shall be allowed Ten per Cent. if in Specie, Five per Cent. and no more.

Provided, That in Case such Administrator be of Kin to the Deceas'd, within the Fifth Degree of either Consanguinity or Affinity, then such Administrator, and all others, that are as nearly related to the Deceas'd, as such Administrator, shall have as good a Right to such Residue, as if he or they were Brothers or Sisters Children to the Deceas'd: And such Ballance shall be distributed accordingly.

Provided nevertheless, That in Case there be a Widow, no Collaterals shall be admitted, other than these directed by this Act; but such Widow shall have the whole Residue of such Estate: Any Thing herein before contained to the contrary thereof, notwithstanding.

Provided nevertheless, and be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid That in Case such Residue shall hap-