

N.º 2 An Act to enable Mary Darnall an Infant to enter into and accept
 Liber H. S. of a Marriage Settlement and Agreement

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Whereas Henry Darnall junior and Rachel his Wife and the aforesaid Mary Darnall Daughter of the said Henry Darnall and Rachel his Wife an Infant of the Age of nineteen Years and Robert Darnall Uncle of the said Mary Darnall have by their humble Petition to this General Assembly set forth That an advantageous Offer of Marriage hath been made to the aforesaid Mary Darnall and the Sum of three hundred pounds Sterling a Year is proposed to be settled on the said Mary during her natural Life in Lieu and in Bar of Dower and of the Right she might have to any Part of the Personal Estate of her intended Husband which Settlement the Petitioners approve of and are willing and desirous that the same should be executed.

And whereas the said Petitioners are doubtful whether the said Mary being an Infant within the Age of twenty one Years by her Acceptance of such Settlement can bar herself of her Right of Dower in the real Estate and of such Part of the Personal Estate of her intended Husband as she might be intitled to by Law. By Reason whereof the said intended Marriage is delayed. And have prayed that An Act might be passed to impower the said Mary Darnall by and with the Advice of her said Father Mother and Uncle to assent to the said Marriage Settlement for Securing the said Jointure to the said Mary and in Bar of her Right of Dower in the real Estate and Share of the Personal Estate of her intended Husband which she might be intitled to by Law. In Compliance therefore with the Prayer of the said Petitioners this General Assembly have thought fit to Enact

And be it enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and the Authority of the Same That the said Mary Darnall may by and with the Advice and Consent of her said Father Mother and Uncle enter into and accept of any Marriage Contract Settlement or Agreement whereby and on which there Shall be issuing and payable out of and charged upon Sufficient Lands and Tenements to Answer the same not Less than three hundred Pounds Sterling Yearly to the said Mary Darnall during her Life after the Death of the Person with whom she may intermarry in Lieu and Bar of Dower in her intended Husband's real Estate and in Satisfaction and Bar of any Share of the Personal Estate of her intended Husband which she might be intitled to by Law according to the true Intent and Meaning of such Marriage Contract Settlement or Agreement And that such Marriage Settlement Contract and Agreement as aforesaid shall to all Intents and Purpose bar and preclude the said Mary Darnall to Demand or claim Dower in the real Estate and any Share of the Per-