

C H A P. XLVII.

An ACT for the relief of John Woodall, of Kent county.

Passed 19th of
Dec. 1800.
Preamble.

WHEREAS a certain Thomas Barry, late of Kent county, deceased, did heretofore, to wit, on the eighth day of April, seventeen hundred and ninety-five, convey to Bodean Warner part of three tracts of land, called Smother's, Part of Addition, Rumford Refurveyed, and Vyanna, lying and being in Kent county, containing one acre of land: And whereas the said Thomas Barry acquired a title to the aforesaid land after his emigration to, and settlement in, this state, and before his naturalization agreeably to law, whereby the title of the said Thomas Barry to the aforesaid lands, at the time of the conveyance aforesaid, has become doubtful: And whereas the said Bodean Warner did, on the thirteenth day of August, seventeen hundred and ninety-nine, convey the aforesaid lands to John Woodall, of Kent county; therefore,

Title vested,
&c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the title to the aforesaid lands be and the same is hereby as amply and fully vested in the aforesaid John Woodall, as if the said Thomas Barry had been naturalized before his title to the said lands had been acquired; provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed in any manner to affect any right, title or claim, to the aforesaid lands, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons before the passage of this act.

C H A P. XLVIII.

An ACT to prevent swine from going at large in the town of Queen-Anne, in Prince-George's county.

Passed 19th of
Dec. 1800.

Swine not to
go at large, &c.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the first day of April next, no swine belonging to the inhabitants of the town of Queen-Anne, or the inhabitants of Prince-George's county living within one quarter of a mile of said town, shall be suffered to go and remain at large in said town, or within a quarter of a mile of the said town, in the said county as aforesaid; and if any swine belonging to the inhabitants as aforesaid, shall be found going and remaining at large within the said town, or within one quarter of a mile of said town, in said county, it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons to kill or impound the same, and if impounded, such person or persons shall immediately give notice, by advertisements set up at the most public places in the said town, describing the swine so impounded, and if the owner or owners shall not, within five days after the setting up said advertisements, prove his or her property therein, and make compensation for the injury, (if any,) which may have been sustained by any inhabitant of said town or county as aforesaid, to be ascertained by any two disinterested persons, inhabitants as aforesaid, and shall not pay for every such swine the sum of twenty-five cents for every day it shall have been impounded, it shall and may be lawful for the person or persons so impounding as aforesaid to sell, or kill the same for his or her benefit.

General issue
pleadable.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person or persons shall be sued and impleaded for killing, destroying or selling, any such swine as aforesaid, the defendant or defendants may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence; provided that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to extend to Anne-Arundel county.

C H A P. XLIX.

An ACT to prevent the going at large of geese and swine in Creager's-town, Frederick county.

Passed 19th of
Dec. 1800.

Geese, &c. not
to go at large,
&c.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, no geese or swine belonging to the inhabitants of said town shall be suffered to go at large in Creager's-town, in Frederick county; and if any person shall find any geese or swine going at large in Creager's-town aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for such person to kill, or cause to be killed, such geese or swine.

General issue
pleadable.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person shall be sued for killing any swine or geese going at large in Creager's-town aforesaid, such person may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence.