

“ If there are no children, or legal representatives of them, in such case, one moiety shall be allotted to the wife, the residue equally to the next of kin of the intestate, in equal degree, and those who legally represent them.”

“ There shall be no representation among collaterals, after brothers and sisters children; and if there is no wife, then all shall be distributed amongst the children; and if no child, then to the next of kin to the intestate, in equal degrees, and their representatives.”

“ No distribution to be made till a year after the intestate's death; and every one to whom any share shall be allotted, to give bond with securities, to refund in case of latent debts, and incident charges of administration.”

And by statute 1. Jac. 2. Cap. 17—“ if after the death of the father, any of the children die intestate, without wife, or children living, the mother, every brother and sister, and their representatives, shall have an equal share with her.”

Agreeable to which laws, the *residuum* of an intestate's estates is distributed, first to the widow and