

(*or*) this state, and it shall not be known whether they have left heirs or devisees proper to be defendants, instead of such deceased person, or if they shall have left any, who *are*\* where they may be; *Provided however*, that the court be satisfied that diligent search has been made for the ascertainment and discovery of such heirs or devisees, and that they have not been found within this state; and the provisions of this section, and of the act aforesaid, shall be construed to extend to all equitable as well as legal estates or interests.

Bonds may be taken as public bonds.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That when the court of chancery or any county court as a court of equity shall require bond, with or without security, to be given in any case, and the parties concerned therein shall be numerous, or it shall for other reasons appear proper to the court to take bond in such form, such bond may be taken in the name of the state as obligee, and be sued by any person interested as public bonds may; and a copy certified by the clerk of the court under the seal thereof, shall be received in evidence to the same effect as certified copies of public bonds aforesaid.

In case of injunction, the court may order testimony to be taken.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That when an injunction shall issue from the court of chancery or any county court as a court of equity, the court on application of any of the parties, may order testimony in reference to the allegations of the bill to be taken on behalf of all the parties in such form as it may direct, and on such terms, and under such regulations as to notice and otherwise as may be deemed equitable, and so however, that such testimony be returned by the day when the motion for dissolving such injunction shall be heard, and the order providing also, that notice of the granting such order be given as shall be prescribed by the court on part of the party applying for the order, to the other parties named in the bill or their solicitors, and such testimony at the hearing of such motion shall be considered in connection with the bill, or petition and answers in the cause.

Returnable.

Power to order sale of estate of infants as in cases of trust.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That the power of the court of chancery, or of the county courts as courts of equity, to decree sales of infants' estates, shall extend to all cases of trusts for infants either for the application of rents, profits, or income, or in any other form for their benefit; and to all cases of chattels real, where if the property were freehold the sale might be decreed; and the power of said courts to decree leases of ground in the city of Baltimore, shall extend to all such cases of trusts of, or concerning ground in said city.