

to infants who may acquire property by gift or purchase, &c.

real or personal property by gift or by purchase, in the same manner, with the same powers, and upon the same terms and conditions, that they may appoint a guardian or guardians to an infant acquiring such property by descent, devise or in right of distribution.

Register not entitled to receive any fee in certain cases.

SEC. 5. *Be it enacted,* That hereafter no register of wills, in the several counties of this state, shall be entitled to receive any fee for entering the appearance of the state to any proceedings in any of the orphans courts of this state, unless when a citation issues, nor for entering the continuance of any proceedings in any of the said courts, except for the entering the same at the term at which the said continuance was granted.

CHAPTER 140.

AN ACT to increase the powers of the High Court of Chancery.
See notes to 1785, ch. 72, ante page 208.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, that the court of chancery has not the power to decree against parties who have been directed to produce books relative to disputes in said court, and who have neglected or refused to comply with such direction; therefore,

Where chancellor may order production of books, and party fails to produce them, he may take the allegations of the other pro confesso.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in any case where the chancellor has ordered, or may order, the production of books in the possession of any party in the said court, on the failure of such party to produce such books so directed to be produced, by the day therein limited, or to shew sufficient cause for such failure, during the first four days of the succeeding term, or any other term that may be appointed therefor, the chancellor may, in his discretion, take the allegations in the bill of complaint of the party requiring the production of the said books, pro confesso and decree ex parte in such manner as shall appear just and reasonable.

See 1793, ch. 84, ante page 369.

CHAPTER 150.

A further SUPPLEMENT to the ACT, entitled, an Act for the relief of sundry Insolvent Debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five.*

*Chap. 110.

See notes to the original act, ante page 530.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, by the original act to which this is a supplement, it is provided, that if any debtor, applying for the benefit of the said act, shall have at any time lost more than one hundred dollars by gaming at one time, such debtor shall be forever precluded from any benefit of the said act, by the generality of which provision the whole space of a man's life is embraced, which is deemed unreasonable and improper; therefore,