

will or wills, or any other instrument of writing, or any at-
 tested copy of a will or wills or other instrument of writ-
 ing, which shall appear to have been heretofore recorded in
 the office of the Register of Wills, of Saint Mary's county,
 and the record thereof has been destroyed, may, and is
 hereby authorised to have the same recorded again, and the
 Register of Wills of the said county, is hereby required
 upon application, and at the cost and charge of the party
 or parties interested, to record the same, together with the
 endorsement of the former enrolment, on the back of the
 said will or wills, or other instrument of writing, in a well
 bound book, in folio, for that purpose, and the said Register
 shall on the back of the said will or wills, or other instru-
 ment of writing, make an endorsement of such second en-
 rolment, and also the folio of the book in which the same
 shall be enrolled.

Books therefor.

Endorsement.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the will or wills, or other
 instrument of writing, so as aforesaid recorded, shall have
 the same effect and operation in law, to all intents and pur-
 poses, as if the records in which the said will or wills, or
 other instrument of writing were heretofore recorded, or
 original papers had never been destroyed.

Record made
 valid.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That a copy of any receipt,
 acquittance, release or final discharge, from any heir, re-
 presentative, or legatee of full age, or other person author-
 ised to execute the same, to any guardian, executor, execu-
 trix, administrator or administratrix, which has been recor-
 ded in the Register of Wills office, in Saint Mary's county,
 if the same shall appear to have been acknowledged as is
 required by the act, entitled An act to make the final dis-
 charge of executors, administrators and guardians, matter
 of record, and the original of which has been destroyed,
 shall be admitted as evidence to prove such receipt, acquit-
 tance, release, or final discharge, provided the same is duly
 attested, under the seal of office of the said Register of
 Wills, accompanied by this certificate, that the said receipt,
 acquittance, release or final discharge is destroyed and lost.

Copy of receipt
 acquittance &c
 made valid al-
 though not record-
 ed.

Proviso.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That a copy of the entry of
 any voucher or evidence, of a claim against any deceased's
 estate, which hath been filed, entered and allowed in any
 account of an administrator, administratrix, executor, or ex-
 cutrix in the Register of Wills office, in Saint Mary's
 county, shall be admitted as *prima facie* evidence in the
 place of such voucher or evidence, of a claim as aforesaid;
Provided, the same is duly attested by the Register of Wills
 for said county, under his hand and seal of office, accompa-
 nied by his certificate, that the said voucher or evidence of
 a claim aforesaid is destroyed or lost.

Vouchers &c
 made valid evi-
 dence.

Proviso.