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that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to bar Bec Ses 14 the said Elizabeth Philpot of her dower in said grounds if she shall elect to claim the same, and in case a conveyance of the fee of and in any part of said grounds shall be made in her lifetime, she shall be entitled to such portion of the proceeds as the Orphans' court of Baltimore county, shall according to the principles of equity decree to her.

6. And provided further, That the power to make such lease or leases as aforesaid, shall not be exercised unless the orphans'

court of Baltimore county aforesaid shall assent thereto.

**Provisional** 

## CHAPTER 65.

An Act relating to actions of Replevin.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases where an apprentice hath been or hereafter shall be taken from or detained against the will or consent of The master or mistress, as the his or her master or mistress. case may be, shall have as full and ample right and power to recover the possession of such apprentice, by action of replevin, as the owner of a personal chattel has now by law to recover the possession thereof.

2. And be it enacted. That in all actions of replevin hereafter to be brought in any court of this state, if the defendant of defendants shall be returned "summoned," and shall not appear in person or by attorney, on or before the fourth day of the term next, succeeding that to which such return shall be made, the court shall be, and they are hereby authorised and required, on motion, to enter up judgment for the plaintiff or plaintiffs, for the property replevied and for nominal damages and costs.

Passed Feb 8, 1826. Replevy a prentices

Judgment on non-attendance of defendant.

## CHAPTER 66.

An Act to authorise Aliens to purchase and hold Real Property within this State.

Passed Feb. 11, 1826

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the passage of this act, aliens actual residents of this state, shall be, and are hereby made able and capable in law to take, have, hold, use and enjoy lands, tenements and hereditaments within this state, which have heretofore been. or may hereafter be purchased by such aliens, or to which they would, if citizens be entitled by descent, and to sell and dispose of the same in like manner, as if they were natural born citizens of the United States: Provided, That if any male alien shall acquire any title to or interest in any real estate in virtue of this act, such alien shall within one year after the acquisition of said

Authorised to hold property