

authorised, to record a deed of manumission from George Calvert, of said county, to negro Charlotte, and others, therein specified, and that the said deed be of the same force and effect as if recorded agreeably to the act thereby provided; *Provided*, Proviso that nothing in this act contained shall affect *bona fide* purchasers heretofore made.

## CHAP. CCIX.

An Act to make valid and effectual the Letter of Attorney therein mentioned. Passed Mar 10 1827

tioned.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Joseph King junior, of the city of Baltimore, that by a letter of attorney executed in Great Britain by the Reverend Arthur Jacques, Letitia Jacques, and Elizabeth Cowtan, he the said King was authorised and empowered to claim and recover certain legacies bequeathed to the said Arthur, Letitia and Elizabeth, by Lancelot Jacques, formerly of Washington county, in this state, deceased, but that the same was not acknowledged in the manner prescribed by law for the acknowledgment of letters of attorney executed out of the state of Maryland, and it appearing to be reasonable that as said defect is merely formal it should be remedied; Therefore,

Preamble

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the letter of attorney executed in Great Britain to and in favour of the said Joseph King junior, and Lancelot Jacques, of Wornal Hall, Washington county, in the state of Maryland, by the Reverend Arthur Jacques, Letitia Jacques, and Elizabeth Cowtan, bearing date the twenty-ninth day of July, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty-three, and acknowledged by them before Henry Hugall, esquire, chief magistrate of the borough and corporation of Scarborough, as certified by him under his hand, and the common seal of the said borough, be, and the same is hereby declared to be, as valid and effectual, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been executed and acknowledged in the manner prescribed by the laws of this state; and that all acts and things done, or hereafter to be done, by the said Joseph King, junior, as attorney for the parties aforesaid, by virtue of and under the authority granted by said letter of attorney, shall have the same force and effect as if said letter of attorney had been regularly acknowledged according to law.

Letter of attorney made valid

2. *And be it enacted*, That the said Joseph King shall not derive any power, or be invested with any authority by virtue of this act, until he enters into bond to the state of Maryland, to be taken by the justices of the orphans court of Baltimore county, or any two of them, in such penal sum as the said justices shall direct, and with two good securities to be approved of by the said justices, conditioned to pay over to Arthur Jacques, Letitia Jacques and Elizabeth Cowtan, respectively, or their respective assigns or representatives, such sum or sums as they are respectively entitled to, and as he shall receive by virtue of the power of attorney mentioned in this act, and the said bond shall be attested by the judges or justices before whom the same shall be taken, and delivered by the said judge

Joseph King to enter into bond, &amp;c