CHAP. 179.

CHAP, CLXXIX. An Act to prevent the operation of the Escheat Laws of ed Mar 13,1839

this State in certain cases.

WHEREAS by the petition of Charles Carroll of Carrollton, it appears that three of his grand-daughters, to wit. Mary Ann, Elizabeth and Louisa, the children of his daughter Mary Caton, the wife of Richard Caton, reside in Great Britain, and that two of them, to wit. Mary Ann and Louisa, are intermarried with subjects of the king of Great Britain: And whereas it also appears that Emily, the fourth daughter of said Richard Caton and Mary Caton, is also intermarried with a subject of the king of Great Britain, and resides with her said husband in this state: And whereas it is desirable to prevent the operation of the escheat laws of this state upon any lands in this state now held by the said four daughters of Richard Caton and Mary Caton, or upon any other lands which may hereafter be acquired by them, respectively, by descent, deed or devise, from their grandfather Charles Carroll of Carrollton, aforesaid, or from their parents Richard Caton or Mary Caton aforesaid, or from one to the other of them the said Mary Ann, Elizabeth, Louisa and Emily, respectively, by reason of the non-residence of them, or either of them, and their respective hushands, in this state, or by reason of the present or future intermarriage of them, or either of them, with persons, met citizens of this state, or by reason of the descendant or descendants of them, or either of them, being born out of the United States, and not entitled to citizenship in this state; thérefore.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maun lands ryland, That no escheat shall operate upon any lands in this state, now held by the said four grand-daughters of Charles Carroll of Carrollton, or either of them, or upon any lands which may hereafter be acquired by them respectively, by descent, deed or devise, to them respectively, from their grandfather Charles Carroll of Carrollton, aforesaid, or from their parents Richard Caton or Mary Caton aforesaid, or from one to the other of them the said Mary Ann, Elizabeth, Louisa and Emily, or from the descendant or descendants of any one of them, to the descendants of any others of them, the said Mary Ann, Elizabeth, Louisa and Emily, by reason of the non-residence of them, or either of them, and their respective husbands, in this state, or by reason of the present or future intermarriage of them, or either of them, with persons not citizens of this state, or by reason of the descendant or descendants of them, or either of them, being born out of the United States, and not entitled to citizenship in this Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the said Mary Ann, E-

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lizabeth, Louisa and Emily, and their descendants respectively, shall, in relation to all such lands now held, or hereaf-