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*An act for the benefit of Hester Anthony.*

Passed Mar. 15, 1833

WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly that a certain Robert Anthony, a colored man, of Frederick county, has departed this life, leaving a reputed and acknowledged wife, Hester Anthony, a woman of respectable character, and having a small personal estate, and a small house and lot in said county; and whereas, in consequence of said Hester not being able to furnish legal proof of her said reputed marriage, she may lose all portion of said personal and real estate; and whereas, it is further represented that said deceased has left no heirs, and the State may therefore be entitled to said real estate, and also to said personal estate, for the benefit of the schools or academies of said Frederick county; and whereas, it is reasonable that the said personal estate, and the real estate of said Robert Anthony, should be secured to said Hester, so far as the State may have any right or interest or claim thereto or therein;—Therefore,

Preamble.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the State of Maryland does hereby release and renounce to and in favor of said Hester Anthony, all the right, title, claim, interest, and estate, of said State, to and in the estate, real and personal, whereof the said Robert died seized or possessed, and all claim and demand, right and interest, which the schools and academies, or any of them, of Frederick county, have to or in said personal estate, or which might in any wise be made, prosecuted, or enforced, for or in behalf of such schools or academies, or for their benefit.

State's claim relinquished.

CHAPTER 205.

*An act for the relief of John C. Helmkin, of the City of Baltimore.*

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the marriage of John C. Helmkin, of the City of Baltimore, and Eliza Helmkin, be, and the same is hereby annulled; and the said John C. Helmkin and Eliza Helmkin are hereby declared to be divorced *a vinculo matrimonii*.

Divorce.