

CHAP. 83. heretofore paid or settled said taxes, such oath or affirmation shall be a full set off and forever bar the collection of such taxes.

In force for
1844.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall continue in force for and during the year eighteen hundred and forty-four.

CHAPTER 83.

Passed Feb.
12, 1844.

An act entitled, an act for the benefit of Rebecca Ann Stewart, widow of Paul H. Stewart and their three children, Elizabeth, Charles and William.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears to this General Assembly, that Paul H. Stewart, late of Baltimore county, an alien hath recently died seized and possessed of a very small parcel of land, lying in the said county, called "Teals Search," which he purchased of Thomas McCauslin and wife, and received a conveyance therefore, as will appear by the record thereof in Liber T. K. No. 312 folio 327 &c. one of the land record books of Baltimore county, leaving a widow Rebecca Ann Stewart, a native citizen of this State, and three infant children, viz: Elizabeth Stewart, Charles Glenn Stewart and William Stewart, of very tender age and in needy circumstances, which land became escheatable to this State, by reason of the said deceased's being an alien; and whereas the said Rebecca Ann Stewart hath applied for an escheat warrant, to have the said land surveyed and soforth, all right to which she agrees to relinquish on the passage of this act, and whereas it seemeth just and reasonable that an act should be passed for the relief and benefit of the said widow and children Therefore,

States interest
released.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all the right, title and interest of the State of Maryland, of, in and to the said parcel of land of Paul H. Stewart an alien, late of Baltimore county deceased, which was escheated to the State of Maryland, or to the value thereof, be and the same are hereby released to the said widow and children of the said Paul H. Stewart, to be held, used and disposed of by them respectively, as if the said Paul H. Stewart had died a naturalized citizen of the United States. *Provided however,* that nothing herein contained shall be held or construed to divest or affect any right of third persons, not parties herein acquired before the passage of this act.

Proviso.