

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That this act of incorporation shall enure for thirty years; and that the legislature hereby reserves to itself the right to alter and annul this act of incorporation at pleasure.

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Enure for 30 years.
Right reserved.

CHAPTER 253.

An act for the relief of John L. Hook and others, devisees of James Hook, late of Allegany County, deceased. Passed Feb. 16, 1846

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall and may be lawful for Allegany county court, sitting as a court of equity, in the suit now pending in said court, in which John L. Hook, James S. Hook, Isaac S. Hook, Thomas D. Davis and Matilda Jane Davis, his wife, and Kizia Hook, widow, are complainants, and Kizia E. Davis, James R. Davis and John E. Davis, infants and defendants, to order and decree a partition of the real estate of James Hook, late of Allegany county, deceased, among the said parties, according to the course and practice of the courts of equity of this State, notwithstanding some of the persons or parties who may be ultimately entitled in remainder as children of the said Matilda Jane Davis, under the will of the said James Hook, may not be *in esse*, and the partition shall be as effectual a title to the parties respectively, according to the said partition, as if all the said parties in interest, were now *in esse*, and were regularly made parties to the said suit, and the said court may order and direct such amendments in, or modifications of the said bill, or other proceedings, as it may deem necessary or proper to carry into effect the provisions of this act.

Order and decree partition of real estate.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said court may, and it is hereby authorised, to appoint a trustee for the said Matilda Jane Davis, to hold the portion of said estate, which in the said partition, may be allotted to her and her children, and to pay to her during her life, annually or oftener, the rents, issues and profits thereof, in the same manner as the trustees appointed by the said will, were required by the same to do.

Appoint trustee.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That upon the petition of any person for and on behalf of the said Matilda Jane Davis and her children, and upon hearing an examina-

To sell or lease real estate.