

CHAP. 369. faction for the same, to the best of his knowledge and belief; *provided*, that nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to effect the estate of any deceased person, except to authorise the said George W. Wilson to recover any claim or balance due by a deceased person in the same manner that claims against deceased persons are now recovered by law.

In force. **SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted*, That this law shall be in force from and after its passage, until the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and no longer.

CHAPTER 369.

Passed *An act to make valid certain Devises and Bequests, in*
Mar. 5, 1850 *the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Mains,*
late of Washington County, deceased.

Preamble. WHEREAS, Thomas Mains, late of Washington county, in this State, deceased, by his last will and testament, in writing, dated the fifth day of August, eighteen hundred and forty-five, and proven and admitted to record in the said county, on the twentieth day of June, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, did give and devise unto the Right Reverend Bishop of Baltimore, for the use of the Catholic church, certain lands and premises, in said will described; and did also bequeath unto the Parish Priest of his Parish, in said county, the legacy in said will mentioned, as by the said will appears; *and whereas*, the Most Reverend Samuel Eccleston, the Archbishop of Baltimore, hath by his memorial to this General Assembly, asked the approbation and leave of the Legislature to the vesting of said devises and legacy; which being reasonable—Therefore,

Right vested. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the leave and approbation of this General Assembly, be and it is hereby given to the vesting and validity of said devises and legacy, in conformity to the provisions of the Declaration of Rights of this State; and the said Samuel Eccleston is hereby authorised and empowered, in his own name, to sue for and recover, and to take and receive, and also to sell and dispose of the said estate and property, for the uses so declared in the said