

son, are valuable, and the interests of said representatives would be promoted by a specific allotment of the same; Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Orphans' Court of Somerset county are hereby empowered, upon the return of any commission which has issued or may issue from said court, to divide the negroes of said Daniel Benson, to ratify and legalise an apportionment of said negroes among his representatives, notwithstanding there may be a direction in said return, that one or more of said representatives shall pay to one or more of said representatives, a specific sum of money in order to equalise the distribution, and notwithstanding a sum in cash be allotted to the minor grand-children of said Daniel, in right of their mother, in lieu of specific negroes; provided, always, the several representatives of said Daniel Benson, of legal age, and the guardian of the minor children of his deceased daughter, shall signify their assent to said Orphans' Court.

Orphans' Court empowered to divide.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from and immediately after its passage.

In force.

CHAPTER 136.

AN ACT to make valid a Deed from Mary Fitzhugh to David Longnecker.

Passed March 4, 1858.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the deed from Mary Fitzhugh, late of Baltimore county, to David Longnecker, of said county, conveying part of a tract of land called Windsor, lying and being in Baltimore county, and executed on the seventh day of April, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-seven, and which was recorded on the fourteenth day of April, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, in Liber A. W. B. No. 378, folio 399, one of the

Made effectual.