

the said Charles Dashiell, of Charles, or his order, for the purpose aforesaid.

CHAPTER 16.

*An act for the relief of Elizabeth Christopher, of Worcester county.*

Passed Dec. 22, 1813.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the Levy Court of Worcester county, shall be authorised, and they are hereby directed and empowered, at their Levy Court annually, so long as they shall see cause, to levy on the assessable property of said county, a sum of money not exceeding thirty dollars, for the support and maintenance of Elizabeth Christopher, of said county; and the same, when collected, shall be paid by the collector of said county, to the said Elizabeth Christopher, or her order, for the purpose aforesaid.

Levy of 30 dolls. for her support.

CHAPTER 17.

*An act for the benefit of James Galbreath, of Cecil county.*

Passed Dec. 22, 1813.

WHEREAS James Galbreath, of Cecil county, by his petition to this General Assembly, hath represented that he emigrated to, and settled in this state, and since his emigration and settlement as aforesaid, hath acquired real property therein; and likewise, that he is a native of Ireland, and hath not been naturalized, agreeably to the laws of the United States; but signified his intention to do so, by an application to the County Court aforesaid, at September term last; and that he cannot hold, or dispose of said property, without the interference of the legislature: Therefore,

Preamble.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the title of the real property, lawfully and fairly acquired, by the aforesaid James Galbreath, whether such title be derived by gift, grant, purchase or devise, be, and the same is hereby as amply, and as fully vested in the aforesaid James Galbreath, and his heirs forever, as if the said James Galbreath had become naturalized, agreeably to the laws of the United States, before the acquiring such real property: *Provided always,* That nothing herein contained, shall in any manner defeat or affect any right, title or claim to the said property, or any part thereof, lawfully acquired by any person or persons whatever, before the passage of this act. *And provided also,* That unless the said James Galbreath shall continue to proceed according to law, to become a citizen of the United States, this act shall have no effect to confirm his title to the property acquired as aforesaid; but if the said James Galbreath, shall die before the time when, by the laws of the United States, he might become a citizen thereof, nothing in this proviso contained, shall prevent him from transmitting or transfer-

Title to property confirmed.

Proviso.

Additional Proviso.