

may be lawful for the said William Hamersley and Francis Hamersley at all times hereafter to be called and known by the name of William Hamersley Pile and Francis Hamersley Pile, and by that name to sue and to be sued in any court of law or equity; and the sur-name of the said William Hamersley, and Francis Hamersley, his son, shall be, and are hereby changed and altered to the sur-name of Pile, and shall be from henceforth called by the sur-name of Pile.

MAY SESS.
1813.

Securities, &c.
made and done
in these names
shall be valid.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all securities, promises, contracts, assurances, deeds and lawful acts, whatsoever, heretofore made or done, or hereafter to be made or done, by or to the said William Hamersley or Francis Hamersley, by the name, of William Hamersley Pile or Francis Hamersley Pile, or heretofore made to, or hereafter to be made or done by the said William or Francis by the sur-name of Pile, shall be of the same force and effect, and of equal avail to all intents and purposes as if the name of William Hamersley Pile and Francis Hamersley Pile had been the true and proper names of William Hamersley and Francis Hamersley, and as if the sur-name of Pile had been the true and proper sur-name of the said William Hamersley and Francis Hamersley, his son, from their birth, any law, statute or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAPTER 11.

An act to provide for the settlement of claims arising from the past or future employment of the militia of this state.

Passed May 28,
1813.

Sec. 1. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the governor and council are hereby directed to appoint two fit and proper persons, one to be a resident on the Eastern, and the other on the Western Shore, who shall be styled Accountants of Militia Claims, who shall be charged with the settlement of all claims against the state arising from the past or future employment of the militia of this state, on their respective shores, and it shall be their duty to report, from time to time, all such settlements, with the vouchers thereof, as shall have been made by them to the governor and council for their revision.

Accountants of
militia claims
—by whom to
be appointed.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the governor and council shall give to said accountants such instructions as they shall think necessary, in what manner they shall settle and pass the accounts presented to them; and shall also, if they deem it necessary, direct