

such process shall be returned shall and may discharge the said Nicholas Slubey out of custody on his common appearance being entered, without any special bail.

C H A P. XXXIX.

VIII. BE IT ENACTED, That the said Nicholas Slubey shall not be entitled to the benefits of any of the provisions of this act, unless at the time of presenting his petition as aforesaid he shall produce to the chancellor the assent of two thirds in value of his creditors, who are citizens of this state, or of the United States, at the time of passing this act.

Assent of creditors to be produced, &c.

C H A P. XL.

An ACT to enable the corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen to receive a conveyance, and hold certain lands, and for other purposes therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 628.

Passed 20th of Jan. 1798.

WHEREAS William Deakins, junior, and John Threlkeld, did heretofore to wit: On the twenty-third day of January, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, by a certain deed of bargain and sale, make over and convey unto John Carroll, John Ashton and Robert Molyneux, certain lands in said deed mentioned, lying and being in Montgomery county: And whereas at the time of said conveyance it was understood between the parties thereto, that the said lands should furnish a site for the purpose of erecting a college, or seminary of learning, under the government and control of the Roman catholic clergy of this state: And whereas in pursuance of such intention the said clergy have, from their funds, erected spacious buildings upon said ground, and organized a seminary of learning, highly beneficial to many of the citizens of this state: And whereas to render the situation of the college more convenient and healthy to the students, the said John Threlkeld did, by a certain deed of bargain and sale, bearing date the fifteenth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, make over unto the said John Carroll, John Ashton and Robert Molyneux, a certain other piece of ground adjoining that above mentioned: And whereas the said John Carroll, John Ashton and Robert Molyneux, in order to give perpetuity to said institution, have prayed this general assembly that they may be enabled to convey said lands to the corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen, and their successors, as a body politic: And whereas the prayer of said petition appears reasonable,

Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said John Carroll, John Ashton and Robert Molyneux, or the survivors of them, be authorized and empowered to execute a deed of gift, in the usual form, to the said corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen, and their successors, appointed under the act, (a) entitled, An act for securing certain estates and property for the support and uses of ministers of the Roman catholic religion; and that upon the execution of said deed, the said corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen, and their successors, shall be seized and possessed of said ground, in as full and ample manner, and of the same estate, title and interest, in law and equity, as the said John Carroll, John Ashton and Robert Molyneux, now hold the same; and the said property, and the rents, issues and profits thereof, shall, from thenceforth, be under the sole control and management of the said body politic, and their successors, so as aforesaid appointed.

J. Carroll may execute a deed, &c.

(a) November, 1792, ch. 55.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That the corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen be authorized, in behalf of the college of George-town, to receive donations from persons charitably disposed, sufficient for the maintenance and education of thirty scholars, provided the annual amount or product of such donations do not exceed, in any one year, the sum of four thousand dollars.

Corporation to receive donations, &c.

IV. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all donations so made shall be applied faithfully to the purposes for which alone they are allowed to be received, and not to any other uses of the corporation of the Roman catholic clergymen; for the ascertainment of which, the corporation aforesaid, when thereunto required by the general assembly, shall exhibit an account of all donations received by them for the maintenance and education of scholars, and of the uses to which they are applied.

How to be applied, &c.

C H A P. XLI.

A Supplement to the act, * entitled, An act for erecting a bridge over Patowmack river. Lib. JG. No. 2. fol. 630.

* 1791, ch. 81.

WHEREAS the directors of the George-town bridge company have set forth, by their petition to this general assembly, that it would promote the encouragement of agriculture and commerce

Preamble.

merce