other dominion of His Most Christian Majesty, who hath qualified or CHAP. shall qualify himself as a citizen of this state, by settling therein, and by giving thote affurances of allegiance and attachment to the same, which devise lands, are or shall be required of the citizens of the same, shall die seised in see &c. of any real estate, the last will or testament of such decedent, in favour of the subjects of His Most Christian Majesty, or any of them, whether residing in France or elsewhere, shall be good and available in the law, and the devisee or devisees appointed in and by such will or testament shall be deemed to be citizens of this state, for the purpose of taking and recovering such devise or devises; or if such decedent hath died, or shall die intestate, the natural kindred of such decedent, whether residing in France or elsewhere, shall inherit his or her real estate, in like manner as if such decedent and his kindred were the citizens of this state.

V. Provided nevertheless, That whenever any subject of France Proviso. shall become seised in see of any real estate within this state, by virtue of any fuch last will or testament, or by inheritance, as aforesaid, his or her estate therein, after the term of ten years be expired, shall vest in the state, unless the person seised of the same, within that time, either come to settle in and become a citizen of this state, or infeoff thereof some citizen of this, or some other of the United States of America.

IX. Ρ. A

An ACT for the relief of Henry Griffith, of Montgomery county. (A private act.)

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An ACT to prohibit the going at large swine and geese in Queen's-town, in Queen-Anne's county.

HEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that Preamble. sundry persons, inhabiting and residing in Queen's-town, in Queen-Anne's county, do keep a number of hogs and geese in the said town, to the great detriment of the inhabitants thereof:

II. We it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That no per-Inhabitants fon or persons whatsoever, living, or that shall hereafter live, in the swine, &c. said town, shall, after the end of this present session of assembly, under any pretence whatsoever, keep or support, within the said town, any swine or geese, belonging to themselves or any other person whatsoever, unless such swine and geese be kept within such person or perions enclosure to whom the same shall respectively belong.

III. And he it enacted, That in case any person or persons whatsoe-Penalty on ver, living, or that shall hereafter live, in the said town, shall, after fering swine, the end of the present session of assembly, suffer any swine or geese be- &c. to go at longing to themselves. Or to appropriate person under their acres to appropriate their acres to acres to appropriate their acres to longing to themselves, or to any other person under their care, to go at large within the said town, it shall and may be lawful for any person to shoot or otherwise destroy such swine or geese, so sound at large, and moreover, any person or persons, suffering any swine or geese to

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