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lands, and by their memorial have humbly prayed, that the bonds they passed for the consideration money may be cancelled and given up, and they discharged from the contract and purchase aforesaid :

Purchasers  
discharged,  
&c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said William Paca, Isaac Perkins, and William Embleton, be and are hereby discharged from the contract and purchase aforesaid, and that their bonds, so far as they relate to the entailed lands of the said Lloyd Dulaney, be cancelled and rendered null and void; and the said commissioners are hereby directed to surrender and give up the said bonds to the said parties.

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An ACT to authorise the probate of wills in the county where the witnesses reside.

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS it has already, and may hereafter frequently happen, that testators may make their last will in counties remote from the county where their real estate may lie, and it is very inconvenient for the witnesses to such will to prove the same, as now required by law :

Wills may be  
proved where  
witnesses re-  
side, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any last will and testament made, or hereafter to be made, may be proved in the orphans court of the county, or before the register of such court, where the witnesses, or the greater part of them, may live; and letters testamentary may be granted, and administration of the estate of such testator made and completed in such county; and if any personal property lies in any other county, warrant may issue to inhabitants of such county to appraise the personal property in such county.

Executors to  
procure a co-  
py, &c.

III. *And,* Whereas it may be proper in some cases to prove the will in the county where the witnesses reside, and to obtain letters testamentary in the county where the personal property of the testator lies, *Be it enacted,* That if the executor shall prove any will agreeable to the liberty given by this act, and desire to obtain letters testamentary in any other county, that in such case he shall procure an attested copy under the seal of the orphans court, of the will and probate, and on producing the same to the orphans court (or register) of any other county, the same shall be recorded there, and he may obtain letters testamentary thereon, in the same manner as if the original will had been proved in such county.

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An ACT to naturalize Thomas Walley, son of Zedekiah Walley, and to make provision for the maintenance and education of the said Thomas Walley, and Maria Grafon, daughter of Thomas Grafon.

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS the aforesaid Zedekiah Walley and Thomas Grafon, fathers of the said Thomas and Maria, commanded the galleys of this state, and were killed, gallantly fighting