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XI.

drew Alexander, and their heirs, as tenants in common; and in case either of the said children shall die under the age of twenty-one years, and without issue, the share or part of such person, so dying, shall go over and belong to the survivors and their heirs, to be equally divided between them, and held as tenants in common; and the said Isabella may live in and possess the dwelling house, with the garden and cleared ground about the house, not exceeding thirty acres, and may have fire wood from any part of the land, for the use and consumption of herself and her family only, for and during her life; and the said Isabella and Andrew Buchanan are hereby authorized to lease, from year to year, such part of the said land, exclusive of the thirty acres aforesaid, as is now cleared, with liberty to the tenant to procure fire wood only, from off the other part of the land, for his own use only, and to apply the rents towards the education of her children above mentioned; and the said Isabella and Andrew Buchanan are also empowered to lease out the meadow ground for any term not exceeding six years, on condition that, within the term, the tenant, for the use thereof, clear the same, and level and sow it down in timothy grass, and so leave it, in complete and good order, at the end of the term.

Chancellor
may appoint
trustee, &c.

IV. **And be it enacted,** That if the said Andrew Buchanan should refuse to execute the trust committed to him by this act, then the chancellor shall and may, on application from the said Isabella, appoint a fit and proper person to execute the said trust, instead of the said Andrew Buchanan.

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An ACT to naturalize major-general the marquis de la Fayette and his heirs male for ever.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the general assembly of Maryland, anxious to perpetuate a name dear to the state, and to recognize the marquis de la Fayette for one of its citizens, who, at the age of nineteen, left his native country, and risked his life in the late revolution; who, on his joining the American army, after being appointed by congress to the rank of major-general, disinterestedly refused the usual rewards of command, and fought only to deserve, what he attained, the character of patriot and soldier; who, when appointed to conduct an incursion into Canada, called forth by his prudence and extraordinary discretion the approbation of congress; who, at the head of an army in Virginia, baffled the manœuvres of a distinguished general, and excited the admiration of the oldest commanders; who early attracted the notice and obtained the friendship of the illustrious general Washington; and who laboured and succeeded in raising the honour and the name of the United States of America: Therefore,

M. de la Fayette, &c.
deemed citizens, &c.

II. **Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,** That the marquis de la Fayette, and his heirs male for ever, shall be, and they and each of them are hereby deemed, adjudged, and taken to be, natural born citizens of this state, and shall henceforth be entitled to all the immunities, rights, and privileges, of natural born citizens thereof, they and every of them conforming to the constitution and laws of this state, in the enjoyment and exercise of such immunities, rights, and privileges.