

term of years, and three fifths of all other persons not comprehended in the foregoing description, except Indians not paying taxes in each state," which said alteration, when so subscribed and ratified, shall be deemed and held to be as sufficient and valid for the purposes therein mentioned, as the part herein before revoked and made void was or ought to have been before the revocation and disannulling thereof.

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C H A P. XXIV.

An ACT for recording a deed from James Rumsey to John Carnan, of Cæcil county.

WHEREAS John Carnan, of Cæcil county, by his humble petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that he purchased part of a tract of land called Cole's Addition, lying and being in Baltimore county, for the consideration of five hundred pounds specie; that he paid honestly and truly for the same, and obtained a deed for the same, bearing date the fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one, which was duly acknowledged by the said James Rumsey before two magistrates of Baltimore county, but that by accident the same was not recorded in due time, and that the said Rumsey lives at such a distance in the back country, that he cannot conveniently get another deed duly executed by him, so that he is under the necessity of applying to the general assembly to pass a law for recording the same; which being thought reasonable: Therefore,

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the said John Carnan to have the said deed recorded among the land records of Baltimore county, at any time within six months from the passing of this act, and that the same deed, when so recorded, shall be as valid, good and effectual, to every intent and purpose intended thereby, as if it had heretofore been recorded in the time limited by law. Saving to every person or persons their several and respective rights, who may have fairly and honestly, without any notice or knowledge of the said deed, purchased the land therein mentioned, or before the said deed is recorded, may fairly and honestly purchase the same.

Deed to be
recorded, &c.

C H A P. XXV.

An ACT for making valid a deed from George Lux, William Lyon, and James Dick, to Thomas J. Burling and James Shaw.

WHEREAS Thomas J. Burling and James Shaw, by their petition to this general assembly, set forth, that on the twenty-fourth day of August, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine, George Lux and William Lyon; for themselves and James Dick, sold part of a tract of land lying in Baltimore county, called Eppington Forest, containing five hundred acres, to the said Thomas J. Burling and James Shaw; that George Lux and William Lyon executed a deed before two of the justices of Baltimore county; that James Dick, not being present at the execution of said deed, and residing in Anne-Arundel county, it therefore became necessary that James Dick should make his acknowledgment before one of the judges of the general court, which was done on the fifteenth day of October, seventeen hundred and seventy nine; and that James Shaw, being a resident on the eastern shore, left said deed in Annapolis to be executed by James Dick, and before he, the said James Shaw, came to the western shore, or had any opportunity of having said deed recorded among the records of Baltimore county, the time prescribed

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