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pay the residue of the monies collected by him in virtue of this act, first deducting the like commissions on the said collection which the said Samuel Ridgaway would have been entitled to had he made the same, to the aforesaid Littillia Ridgaway, Edmund Farrell, and Vachel Downes, to the uses of the last will and testament of the said Samuel Ridgaway.

C H A P. XXIV.

An ACT to make valid a deed from John Craig to Hugh M. Bryde of Caroline county. (*A private act.*)

C H A P. XXV.

An ACT to make provision for the maintenance and education of Joseph Handy, only son of captain Joseph Handy.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Nancy Handy, widow of Joseph Handy, late of Somerset county, by her humble petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that her husband Joseph Handy was killed on board the barge Protector, belonging to this state, under the command of commodore Zedekiah Walley, gallantly fighting in support of the independence of his country: And whereas it appears by the petition aforesaid, that the estate which was intended to be devised to the said petitioner by her father Isaac Atkinson, was confiscated and sold by the intendant of the revenue for a valuable consideration, and that the petitioner aforesaid, and her orphan son, are left destitute of any support; and this general assembly, in memory of, and gratitude for, the services of captain Joseph Handy, and to encourage the like patriotism and heroic bravery in others, think it proper to bring up, maintain, educate, and provide for, the son of the said Joseph Handy; therefore,

J. Handy to be maintained, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Joseph Handy, son of captain Joseph Handy aforesaid, shall be maintained and educated at the public expence until he arrives to the age of twenty-one years, and it is the desire of this assembly that he receive a college education in this state, and that on his arrival at the age of twenty-one years aforesaid, there shall be paid to him by this state the sum of one thousand pounds current money, and the governor for the time being is requested to superintend the education of the said Joseph Handy, and to act as his guardian, and to consider him as the adopted child of this state.

C H A P. XXVI.

An ACT to regulate the building and erecting of wharfs in the port of the city of Annapolis.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the dispatch and ease of vessels, in taking in and discharging their lading, depends in a considerable degree upon the convenience afforded by proper wharfs: And whereas certain rules and regulations are necessary to enable the citizens of Annapolis to erect wharfs for the convenience of trade, in such manner as not to prejudice the navigation of said port, either by encroaching too far upon the channel of the river, or by erecting wharfs in such places of said port, or in such manner, as may be deemed improper and prejudicial;

Mayor, &c. to appoint wardens, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the mayor, recorder, aldermen, and common council-men, of the city of Annapolis, shall have power and authority to appoint, from time to time, at such periods as they may deem most proper and convenient, certain persons as wardens of the port of the city of Annapolis, which persons