liam and Robert Booth, and each of them, if it should appear that they, or either CHAP. of them, be still alive, all their several rights and interest in the said tract of land. except in such parts thereof as may hereafter be sold by order of the orphans court of Washington county, for the payment of the just debts and legacies of the faid Bartholomew Booth, and his ions William and Robert Booth, and the aforefuld furn of fourteen hundred pounds to Alexander Robinson, agreeably to the subsequent provisions of this act.

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III. And he it enamed, That the bond to be taken as aforesaid shall be lodged, Bond to be within fix months from the passing of this act, in the office of register of wills for lodged, &c. Washington county, and the same proceedings may be had thereon, at the instance of the creditors or legatees aforesaid, and of the said Alexander Robinson, or of any of them, as are or may by law be had on testamentary or administration bonds.

IV. And be it enacted, That the several creditors and legatees aforesaid, or any Creditors, &c. of them, shall and may, at any time after the passing of this act, and the execu-to nave to dy, &c. tion and lodging of the bond aforesaid of the said John Booth, or any of them, have the same remedy against the said John Booth that they would have been entitled to if the said tract of land had descended to him as heir at law to the perfon last seized thereof, or he had taken as devisee of the person against whom fuch claim hath arisen; and in all suits to be brought against him, the creditor or legatee may elect to charge the said John Booth as heir or devisee, or may proceed on the bond aforesaid; and the action or actions to be brought against him as heir or devisee, shall have the same operation and effect that they would have had if the faid land had descended or been devised to him, and this act had not

V. And be it enacted, That the aforesaid sum of sourteen hundred pounds cur- The sum of rent money, with interest, agreed to be paid by the said John Booth to Alexander £ 1400 to be Robinson and Priscilla his wife, shall be a lien on such part of the tract of land called Delamere, as shall not be fold for the payment of debts and legacies under this act.

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An ACT to revive and aid the proceedings of Prince-George's cember 22. county court.

7 HEREAS April court in the present year, for the said county, stood ad_ Premble journed to the thirty-first day of May last, on which day only one of the justices of said county attended, whereby the county court of said county for the faid month of April could not be held and adjourned according to law, and all causes, pleas, process and proceedings, both civil and criminal, in the same court depending, were discontinued: And whereas the justices of the faid court have fince continued to do and transact the business of the said court, as if fuch discontinuance had not happened;

II. Be it enacted, by the General Affembly of Maryland, That all causes, pleas, Cause, &c. process and proceedings, both civil and criminal, (except as hereafter excepted) to be in same which were depending and undetermined in the said county court, which dushit to have been held and adjourned on the said thirty-first day of May last, shall be adjudged and taken to have been in the same state and condition at the court then next enfuing and held for the faid county, to all intents and purposes, as if the justices of said court had met and adjourned, and held the said court, as by law required; and that all process, pleas and proceedings, had, made and done, since the aforefaid thirty-first day of May last, in the county court of the said county, by the justices thereof, shall be adjudged and taken to be good and valid, and in the same state and condition, to all intents and purposes, as if the justices of the said court had met and adjourned, and held the said court, as by law required, the faid discontinuance, or any other matter or thing, to the contrary notwith-Standing.