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An ACT for the relief of Henry Disher, of Frederick county.

Passed 19th of Dec. 1800. Preamble.

WHEREAS Henry Disher, of Frederick county, has emigrated to, and settled in, this state, and since his emigration to, and settlement in, this state, hath acquired real property therein, and his title to such property, from his not having been naturalized before such property was acquired by him; may be called in question, to his great injury and detriment;

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the title to all the real property, lawfully and fairly acquired by the said Henry Disher, whether such title be derived by grant, gift, purchase or devise, be and the same is hereby as amply and as fully vested in the said Henry Disher, to all intents and purposes, as if he had been naturalized before his title to such property had been acquired; saving nevertheless to all persons who may have acquired, under the present existing laws of this state, a title to any part of the real estate held by the said Henry Disher, or any person or persons claiming under him, their several and respective rights; and provided also, that unless the said Henry Disher shall, on or before the first day of June next, proceed according to law to make himself a citizen of the United States, this act shall have no effect to confirm his title to the real property by him heretofore acquired, nor shall he, or any person claiming under him, derive any benefit under this act; but if the said Henry Disher shall die before the time when, by the laws of the United States, he may become a citizen thereof, nothing in this proviso contained shall prevent him from transmitting or transferring his said property by descent or devise to any issue he may leave residing within the United States, who is hereby declared capable in law to hold the same, or to any other person, being a citizen of the United States, and capable in law to hold the same.

Title vested, &c.

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A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to authorise and empower the levy court of Montgoinery county to assess and levy a sum of money on the assessable property thereof for the purpose of building a new gaol in said county.

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WHEREAS by the act to which this is a supplement, the levy court of Montgomery county was authorized and directed to assess and levy on the assessable property in said county a sum of money, not exceeding twelve hundred pounds, for the purpose of building the gaol aforesaid, which sum has been levied and collected: And whereas the commissioners appointed by said act did contract for and let the building of said gaol to a certain Charles Beckwith, and did advance to the said Beckwith the sum of one hundred and sixty pounds, for the purpose of procuring materials for the said gaol; that soon after the said Beckwith departed this life: And whereas by an act passed the last session of assembly, the heirs, executors and administrators, and also the securities, of the said Charles Beckwith, were to be released and exonerated from all contracts entered into by the said Beckwith with the commissioners aforesaid, in any manner respecting the said gaol, upon the express condition, that the money so as aforesaid advanced to the said Beckwith should be returned to the commissioners aforesaid on or before the first day of March last, with interest thereon from the time the said advance took place, which condition was not complied with: And whereas the said commissioners did not think themselves authorized to contract with any other person for the building the gaol aforesaid, in as much as the provision aforesaid was not complied with, by reason of which the county suffers great inconvenience; therefore,

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II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the commissioners aforesaid be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute, without delay, the several duties required of them by the act to which this is a supplement, in as full and ample manner as if the contract aforesaid had never taken place.

Commissioners to execute certain duties, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the time limited for the return of the money so as aforesaid advanced, be and the same is hereby extended to the first day of June next, and if the said sum of money, together with the interest that may accrue, be not paid to the said commissioners, or to such person or persons as they, or a majority of them, may appoint to receive the same, on or before the said first day of June, that then the said commissioners, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized and directed to sue for and recover the same.

Time extended, &c.

IV. AND,