

Passed 7th of
January, 1804.

An ACT for the benefit of the congregation of the German or High Dutch reformed christian church in Frederick-town, in Frederick county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS certain lands and tenements, and other property, have been heretofore conveyed in trust for the benefit of the congregation of the German or High Dutch reformed christian church in Frederick-town, in Frederick county, and by reason of the death of some of the trustees, and other causes, doubts have arisen as to the validity of the title to said property: And whereas part of the said property, being purchased for a burial-ground, is found unfit for that purpose, and no power exists to make sale thereof, and it is necessary to purchase another lot of ground for a place of burial; therefore,

Lands vested,
&c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all lands, tenements and hereditaments, goods, chattels and other property, which hath heretofore been conveyed to any person or persons, or which is now held by any person or persons, in trust for the benefit and use of the congregation of the German or High Dutch reformed christian church in Frederick-town, in Frederick county, by whatsoever name it may be called, shall be and the same is hereby vested in John Brunner, John Gebhart, Daniel Hauer, senior, Mathias Bucky, Michael Hauser and Philip Rohr, the present elders of the said church, and to the successors of the said elders appointed according to the constitution, rules and ordinances, of the said congregation.

Elders may sell,
&c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said elders, and their successors, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to sell, lease, or otherwise convey, the whole or any part of the lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattels or other property, hereby declared to be vested in the said congregation, or which shall hereafter be vested in the same, in such manner, and for such estate therein, as conveyances may be made by any individual for any like property; provided that no sale, lease, or other disposition of the said property, or any part thereof, shall be valid, unless the same shall be made with the consent and approbation of a majority of the members of the said congregation, agreeably to the rules and constitution of that church.

And purchase
property, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said elders, and their successors, or a majority of them, shall be and they are hereby enabled and empowered to purchase, for the use and benefit of the said congregation, any property, not exceeding in value six thousand dollars.

C H A P. L.

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Preamble.

An ACT for the benefit of John Lyon, of Montgomery county.

WHEREAS John Lyon, a resident of Montgomery county, and now a citizen of the United States, by his petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that before he became naturalized he purchased some real property in the county aforesaid, and obtained deeds of conveyance for the same, and doubts have arisen as to the validity of the title of the said John Lyon, in as much as conveyance thereof was made before he was naturalized; therefore,

Title made per-
fect, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the title of the said John Lyon to the said real property shall be and the same is hereby made as perfect and complete, to all intents and purposes, as if the said John Lyon had been naturalized agreeably to the laws of the United States before the said purchase was made, any law of this state to the contrary notwithstanding; provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall in any manner defeat or affect any right, title or claim, to the said property, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons whatever before the passage of this act.

C H A P. LI.

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An ACT to enable the levy court of Talbot county to assess and levy certain sums of money for the respective purposes therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the commissioners heretofore appointed for building a new gaol in the town of Easton, in the said county, have represented to this general assembly, that in the execution of their trust they have advanced, or made themselves responsible for, the sum of one hundred and fifty-two pounds nine shillings and five-pence current money, over and above the funds appropriated