

C H A P.
XLI.

county, Mark Pringle, of the city of Baltimore, Philip Thomas and George Gale, of Cæcil county, Abel Humphreys, of the city of Philadelphia, Robert Lloyd Nichols, Lloyd Nichols, James Hollyday, Henry Hollyday, Thomas Whittington, William B. Smyth, and Mary Hindman Smyth his wife, one of the daughters of the late William Perry, David Kerr, the younger, and Maria Kerr his wife, the other of the daughters of the said William Perry, of Talbot county, have set forth, that they, together with the representatives of George Humphreys, late of the city of Philadelphia, deceased, are interested in the real property held by the company usually known by the name of The Havre-de-Grace Company, and that on the twenty-fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four, a division of the same was made by lot amongst them, in which division the respective part of each was ascertained, and that a plot of the division, in conformity with the agreement of the parties, has been recorded in Harford county court, but in as much as doubts are entertained, whether, in point of law, such division, although just and equitable, is sufficient to separate the respective interests, and to vest a legal estate in the parties mentioned in said division, have prayed that a law might pass to confirm the same; and the prayer thereof being reasonable, therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the aforesaid division or partition by lot of the property aforesaid, the plot whereof is recorded as aforesaid, shall be and the same hereby is confirmed and made valid and effectual, to all intents and purposes whatever, and that the respective persons named in said division, and the representatives of the person or persons deceased, which deceased person or persons appear by said division to be entitled to a proportion of said property, shall, immediately from and after the passage of this act, respectively stand and be seized of, and entitled to, a good and indefeasible estate, in fee-simple, as well in law as in equity, in their several and respective shares of the lands and lots forming the subject of the said division, according to the said division and partition, as marked out and ascertained upon the plot aforesaid, and shall hold the said shares, and the lands and lots therein comprehended, in severalty, as fully, to all intents and purposes whatever, as if all the parties interested, either legally or equitably, in the said partition and division, as members of the said Havre-de-Grace company, or as claiming under a member or members of the said company, had been parties to the same, and were of full age, and were in all other respects able to do and had done every act proper and necessary to make the same effectual, and as if the trustees of the Havre-de-Grace company, in whom the legal title now resides, had duly made and acknowledged the proper conveyances and assurances in the law thereupon, and such conveyances and assurances had been duly recorded.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the plot aforesaid, so as aforesaid recorded in Harford county court, shall be safely kept among the land records of the said court, and shall, in all times hereafter, be held, taken and considered, in all courts of law and equity, to be conclusive evidence of the lines and location of the said shares and lots aforesaid, as among and against all and every the person and persons herein named, and the representatives of the aforesaid George Humphreys, and all persons claiming by, from or under them, or any of them, or as or by, from or under, a member or members of the said Havre-de-Grace company, saving to all other persons their several and respective rights.

C H A P. XLII.

Passed 25th of
January, 1806.

An ACT giving further powers to the corporation of the city of Baltimore.

WHEREAS William Patterson, and others, have, by petition to this general assembly, represented, that by the act of former owners of a tract of land now called Rogers's Addition to Baltimore-town, and a law passed pursuant thereto at November session, eighteen hundred and two, the said tract and parcel of ground was made a part of the said town, and subjected to all the regulations and ordinances thereof; that at the time these petitioners purchased their several interests therein, it was commonly believed and supposed by them, that Rogers's addition did adjoin immediately thereunto, but it now appears, that a considerable space of ground, unaffected by any act of incorporation with the town aforesaid, does intervene and separate Rogers's addition from the improved part thereof, and with the distance of said addition, does entirely cut off and deprive the holders of lots in that part of the now city of Baltimore, from all the benefits and advantages contemplated by the junction and incorporation of the same, leaving them at the same time burthened with all the charges and expences, as well as inconveniencies, of regulations, often ill suited to their local situation under the jurisdiction of the corporation aforesaid; and as it appears evidently just, equitable and necessary, that such unequal condition of burthen, without reciprocal benefits, should be relieved,