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and ninety or seventeen hundred and ninety-one, she intermarried with a certain Thomas Boylan, then of the county aforesaid; that at the time of her intermarriage she was seized and possessed of a considerable real estate, consisting of lands adjoining to Taney-town aforesaid, and of houses and lots in the said town, which she held by devise, in fee-simple, under the will of her late father, Jacob Good, the elder, deceased; that shortly after said marriage with the said Boylan, a report reached the place where they then resided, that the said Boylan, at the time of his marriage with her, had another wife then living in the kingdom of Ireland; that in consequence of such report, the said Boylan secretly and privately run away, and left her the said Mary, and that she has never heard any certain accounts of him since, and that she does not know whether he is now living or dead; that some years afterwards, under a full confidence and belief that the said Boylan was a married man, and had another wife living at the time he married her, the said Mary, and that the said marriage with her was totally null and void in law, she, the said Mary, intermarried with a certain John Gwinn, of the county aforesaid, by whom she has had several children, who are now living;

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all and every of the children which the said Mary Gwinn had, during her marriage with the said John Gwinn, and their heirs, shall be and they are hereby declared legitimated, and able and capable in law to inherit, take and hold, under and by virtue of any devise or bequest to them, or either of them, and to inherit, take and hold, by descent, and transmit inheritance, in the same manner as legitimate heirs can or may do, and they, and each and every of them, shall be entitled to all the immunities, rights and privileges of, and deemed, taken and considered, to every intent and purpose whatsoever, as legitimate issue, in the same manner as if their mother, the said Mary, had never been married to the said Thomas Boylan, or the said Thomas Boylan had died before the said marriage of the said Mary with the said John Gwinn, any law, usage or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Children legitimated, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said Mary Gwinn be and she hereby is authorised and empowered to sue, prosecute and defend, any and all kinds of actions or suits, both at law and in equity, under and by the name of Mary Gwinn.

M Gwinn may sue, &c.

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An ACT to authorise and empower the levy court of Prince-George's county to assess a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned.

Passed 20th of January, 1808.

WHEREAS Samuel Duvall Beck, of Prince-George's county, by his petition to this general assembly, hath set forth, he is very poor, near seventy-five years of age, and from the numerous infirmities attendant on old age is rendered totally incapable of procuring a support by labour, and praying a law may pass authorising the levy court of Prince-George's county to assess and levy a sum of money for his support; therefore,

Preamble.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices of the levy court of Prince-George's county be and they are hereby authorised and directed, to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county, a sum of money not exceeding thirty dollars, for the support and maintenance of the said Samuel Duvall Beck, and that the same be collected and paid annually to the aforesaid Samuel Duvall Beck, or his order, by the collector of said county, agreeably to the order of the levy court aforesaid.

Justices to levy money, &c.

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An ACT to lay out and make a public road in Baltimore county.

Passed 20th of January, 1808.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by a number of inhabitants of Baltimore county, that from the city of Baltimore eastward to the Philadelphia road, being about the distance of one half of a mile, there is no road or highway, that the communication at present passes through private property, in consequence of which it is not taken notice of by the levy court of said county, or any repairs done to the same, and at certain seasons of the year is almost impassable; therefore,

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II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That William C. Goldsmith, James Bizays, Henry Wineman, David Harris and John Murry, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to survey, lay out, clear and open, a road, not exceeding sixty feet in width, clear of ditches, from the east end of Dulany-street, in the city of Baltimore, to communicate with the Philadelphia road at such place, or in such direction, as to them may appear most practicable; and the said road, when so laid out, shall be and the same is hereby declared a public highway, and to be kept up and repaired in the same manner as other public roads in Baltimore county.

Commissioners appointed, &c.