

## CHAP. 59.

less the said Edward M. G. Watson shall, with all convenient speed, proceed according to the laws of the United States, in such cases made and provided, to make himself a citizen of the United States, he, and every person claiming under him, shall forfeit all benefit that they might otherwise have derived under the provisions of this act; *Provided always*, that if the said Edward M. G. Watson shall die before he can become a citizen of the United States, nothing in the above proviso contained shall prevent the said Edward M. G. Watson from transmitting, transferring or conveying, a good and legal title to the said property, by descent or devise, to any person capable in law to hold real property within this state.

## CHAPTER 60.

Passed Jan 25 1819

An act for the benefit of John Read Magruder and Edward Harwood, Clerks of Prince-George's County Court.

Authorised to send out fees in 1819 until 1st of April next.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That John Read Magruder, late clerk, and Edward Harwood clerk, of Prince-George's county court, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to send out fees in the year eighteen hundred and nineteen, for collection or execution, at any time until the first day of April next, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding; *Provided however*, that every sheriff in whose hands fees shall be placed by the said John Read Magruder and Edward Harwood, for collection, shall be allowed until the first day of June next to deliver the accounts of fees, or bills of particulars, to the respective persons, and to the twentieth day of November next to account for and pay over the money for the said fees.

Proviso.

## CHAPTER 61.

Passed Jan 25 1819

An act for the relief of James Simpson, of Frederick County.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of James Simpson, of Frederick county, that he migrated to the United States three years ago, and from his having no fixed habitation until lately, as well as from his ignorance of the law, he has never been naturalized, until three years since he applied to the court of Frederick county, and made a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States; And whereas he further states, he lately purchased a house and lot of Mary Poltney and Ruth Plummer, in Plummer's part of New-Market, in Frederick county, lying on the north side of the main street, containing thirty-four feet, number two on the plot of said town, but which has never been conveyed to him, because he is incapable of holding real property, and that he is desirous of acquiring a title to the said property, therefore,

Authorised to acquire and hold certain property.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said James Simpson be, and he is hereby authorised and empowered, to acquire and hold, by deed or bargain and sale, from the said Mary Poltney and Ruth Plummer, or their legal representatives, a title to the property aforesaid, and to transfer and convey a title to the said property, by gift, grant, devise or descent, as fully and amply as if he was a citizen of the United States; *Provided*, that unless the said James Simpson shall, with all convenient speed, proceed according to the laws of the United States in

Proviso.