

CHAP. CLXVI.

An Act to continue in force the Acts of Assembly which would expire with the present Session

CHAP. 166.

Passed Feb 14 1821

Acts continued

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all such acts, and parts of such acts of assembly, as would expire with the present session of assembly, be and the same are hereby continued until the twentieth day of November next, and to the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter.

CHAP. CLXVII.

An Act for the benefit of John M'Tavish.

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Preamble

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, on the part of John M'Tavish, and Emily his wife, that she has lately become entitled to the reversion in fee, depending upon a life estate in her grandfather, Charles Carroll of Carrollton, of the city of Annapolis, of a large and valuable landed estate, in Frederick county in this state, being part of the manor of Carrollton, and designated as lot number five in a late division thereof made by order of the said Charles Carroll of Carrollton, which lot is specially described in and by a deed of conveyance thereof from her said grandfather to her, by way of covenant to stand seised to uses, bearing date on the seventh day of February one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one; that the said John M'Tavish being a subject of the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and having resided too short a time in the United States to become a citizen thereof in less than four or five years, much embarrassment, injury and loss, might result from his disability, as an alien, to take and hold an estate by the courtesy in the said lands, in case of such an event as would throw such an estate upon him; that even during the life-time of the said Emily, there would be much doubt and inconvenience from the same source, and probably considerable loss, if they should find it at any time convenient to sell the said land, or any part of it; and that they have an infant son, Charles Carroll M'Tavish, about whose rights of citizenship and inheritance, although he was born in the United States, great doubts might exist, to his great injury and loss; wherefore they have besought this general assembly to pass an act to enable them, severally and respectively, to take and hold the said lands, under and by virtue of the said deed, as fully and beneficially, according to the respective estates created thereby and resulting therefrom, as if the said John M'Tavish had been a citizen of the United States, and of this state, at and before the time of the making of the said deed, and to sell and convey the same, and to transmit it to their said son, or any future child or children, by descent, gift, conveyance or devise, as fully and beneficially as if the said John M'Tavish had been a citizen of the United States, and of this state, at the time of the said conveyance first above mentioned; which request appears to be reasonable; Therefore,

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said John M'Tavish shall be and hereby is declared and made able and capable in law, his alienage notwithstanding, to take, receive and hold, an estate for his own life in the said lands, as

Made capable to take and hold estate in certain lands