

secuted by any person or persons whatsoever, before the passage of this act. Dec Ses 1821.

CHAPTER 14.

*An act relinquishing the right of the state to the lands therein mentioned, and authorising a conveyance of the same.* Passed Dec. 21 1821.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is represented to this general assembly by David Williamson, Attorney for Nicholas Francis Peter Bence and James Calixtus Michael De Leyritz, that Angus Greme, of Harford county, purchased in trust for Col. John Gimat and in the event of his death, in trust for his wife, Madam Bence Gimat, and her heirs, the tracts of land herein after mentioned; that the said Col. John Gimat died, leaving his widow Bence Gimat, who has since departed this life, leaving the said Nicholas Francis Peter Bence and James Calixtus Michael De Leyritz, her heirs at law; that the said Angus Greme, did, in the year eighteen hundred, execute a lease of the said lands to the said Bence and Leyritz, for ninety nine years, renewable forever; that the said lands were purchased by the said Angus Greme, with the money arising from a certificate issued from the treasury of the United States, to the said Col. Gimat, for his pay and emoluments, as an officer of the French army in the American service, during the revolutionary war; that the said Col. Gimat and Bence Gimat, were, and the said Nicholas F. P. Bence and James C. M. De Leyritz, are foreigners never naturalized—by reason whereof their title to the said lands was, and is liable to be vested in the state upon office found; and the said David Williamson, acting as the attorney aforesaid, hath contracted to sell the said lands, and hath prayed that the state would relinquish its title to the said lands; and whereas this general assembly is willing to relinquish its right to the said lands; Therefore,

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland,* That David Williamson, shall and may, and he is hereby authorised and fully empowered, to convey by a deed or deeds to be executed, acknowledged and recorded according to law, to any person or persons, in fee simple, the following lands, to wit: Rough Stone, containing two hundred acres, Maiden's Bower Secured, and Paca's Industry, containing together, by estimation, four hundred and sixty five acres; Rumsey's Neighbor, containing sixty-six and an half acres, and two tracts called Isaac's Delight, the one containing thirty-five acres, the other containing forty-six acres, situate, lying and being on Deer Creek, in Harford county.

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2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the purchaser or purchasers, to whom the said conveyance or conveyances shall be made, and his, her or their heirs, shall and may have, hold, occupy, possess and enjoy the said lands, and every part thereof, so to be conveyed to them, in as full, ample and perfect a manner, as if the said David Williamson had, or could claim at the time of the passage of this act, the legal estate in fee simple, in and to the aforesaid lands, and every part thereof; and that the purchaser or purchasers aforesaid, may, and they are hereby authorised to execute to the said David Williamson, his heirs and assigns, a mortgage or mortgages of the said lands, to secure the payment of the purchase money for which the same may be sold; and the said mortgage or mortgages, shall, and are hereby declared to be intend-

Purchasers may hold, &c.