

any right, title or claim, to the said property, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons whatever before the passage of this act; and provided also, that unless the said Thomas M. Cutchen shall, on or before the first day of June next, proceed according to law to make himself a citizen of the United States, this act shall have no effect to confirm his title to the property above mentioned, nor shall he, or any person claiming under him, derive any benefit under this act; but if the said Thomas M. Cutchen shall die before the time when, by the laws of the United States, he may become a citizen thereof, nothing in this proviso contained shall prevent him from transmitting or transferring his said property by descent or devise to any issue he may leave residing within the United States, who is hereby declared capable in law to hold the same, or to any other person, being a citizen of the United States, and capable in law to hold the same."

The bill for the relief of Henry King and Philip Stover, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

Amendment proposed. Strike out from the word "acquired" in the third line of the second page to the end of the bill, and insert, "provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall in any manner defeat or affect any right, title or claim, to the said property, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons whatever before the passage of this act; and provided also, that unless the said Henry King and Philip Stover shall respectively, on or before the first day of June next, proceed according to law to make themselves citizens of the United States, this act shall have no effect to confirm their titles to the property above mentioned, nor shall they, or any person claiming under them, or either of them, derive any benefit under this act; but if the said Henry King or Philip Stover shall die before the time when, by the laws of the United States, he may become a citizen thereof, nothing in this proviso contained shall prevent him from transmitting or transferring his said property by descent or devise to any issue he may leave residing within the United States, who is hereby declared capable in law to hold the same, or to any other person, being a citizen of the United States, and capable in law to hold the same."

The bill for the relief of George Rice, of Worcester county, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

Amendment proposed. Strike out from the word "acquired" in the twelfth line to the end of the bill, and insert, "provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall in any manner defeat or affect any right, title or claim, to the said property, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons whatever before the passage of this act; and provided also, that unless the said George Rice shall, on or before the first day of June next, proceed according to law to make himself a citizen of the United States, (unless already naturalized,) this act shall have no effect to confirm his title to the property above mentioned, nor shall he, or any person claiming under him, derive any benefit under this act; but if the said George Rice shall die before the time when, by the laws of the United States, he may become a citizen thereof, nothing in this proviso contained shall prevent him from transmitting or transferring his said property by descent or devise to any issue he may leave residing within the United States, who is hereby declared capable in law to hold the same, or to any other person, being a citizen of the United States, and capable in law to hold the same."

The bill for the relief of William Ballenger, Basil Dorsey and Anthony Poultney, of Frederick county, was read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

Amendment proposed. Strike out from the word "acquired" in the eighth line of the third page to the end of the bill, and insert, "provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed in any manner to affect any right, title or claim, to the aforesaid lands, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons before the passage of this act."

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill, entitled, An act relating to the public wharf and ferry at Chester-town, in Kent county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, November 22, 1800: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 4, 1800: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Charles Francois Chirac, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 4, 1800: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 4, 1800: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Henry Joseph Stier, of Prince-George's county, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 4, 1800: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

"By the house of delegates, December 5, 1800: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk."

A bill, entitled, A further supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Calvert county, a bill, entitled, An additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to straighten and amend the public roads