

ell Gray, esq. died without having made the said return; and whereas, the said James B. Robbins, by his said petition, hath prayed this general assembly to pass a special act, by which he may be now permitted to return the said certificate and complete his title to the said lands for the benefit of his said nephew, therefore—

Fourth line—After the word ‘certificate,’ insert the words, ‘bearing date on the twenty-seventh day of April, eighteen hundred and nineteen.’

Eighth line—After the word ‘county,’ strike out the rest of the section, and insert ‘for the said James B. Robbins,’

And as an additional section—

2. *And be it enacted,* That in six months after the return of the said certificate, and upon the payment of the caution money, if any should be due, that the register of the land office for the Eastern Shore of this state, shall be, and he is hereby authorised and required to issue a patent to the said John L. B. Robbins, for the lots of land mentioned in the said certificate, provided no caveat shall be filed and decided against the said certificate.

3. *And be it enacted,* That whenever the said certificate is returned, and patent issued thereon, that the said certificate and patent shall have the same validity and effect to vest the title of this state in the said John L. B. Robbins to the said lots of land before mentioned, as if the said certificate had been for, and in the name of the said John L. B. Robbins, and returned in due time.

Which amendments were read and assented to. The bill was then read a second, and by special order, a third time, passed with the proposed amendments, and returned to the house of delegates.

The bill to enable purchasers to obtain possession of lands and premises sold by sheriffs, coroners and elizors at public auction, was read a second time, with the amendment heretofore proposed by the committee to whom it was referred. On motion, the question was put, ‘will the senate receive the following as an amendment?’ viz—

Strike out from the word ‘that,’ in the first line of the first section to the word ‘that,’ in the first line of the second section.’

Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put, ‘will the senate assent to the amendment as proposed by the committee?’

Determined in the affirmative.

The bill was then read a third time by special order, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill entitled, an act relating to illegitimate children, which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Scott, Brownley and Johnson.