

Said associations not to be discharged from any engagement entered into heretofore. Nor to be disabled to recover any sum due. Or to prevent reimbursement to the stockholders. This act only to affect associations for the purpose of banking.

That nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to discharge any person or persons, or any association of persons who may before the passing of this act have become engaged for the payment of any sum or sums of money, from such engagement; or to prevent a recovery by them of any contract, note, or obligation, to which they may be parties, or have acquired; or to prevent a settlement between the subscribers thereto, and reimbursement of the payment made.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That nothing in this act shall extend to any partnership in trade or business in such manner, and for such purpose as hath been hitherto usual, and may be legally done; but only to the business of banking, or making, issuing, or uttering of bills or notes payable to bearer, order, or otherwise; to receive deposits; and loaning monies on discount, in the manner herein referred to.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED---the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

SIMON SNYDER.

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CHAPTER LXVI.

*An ACT to enable Catharine Shaeffer, administratrix of John Shaeffer, late of the county of Berks, deceased, to convey a lot of ground to Philip Weaver.*

WHEREAS it appears to the legislature that John Shaeffer did in his lifetime sell, by parole, unto Philip Weaver, a lot of ground near the town of Womelsdorff, in the county of Berks, for the sum of sixty pounds; and that he did in his lifetime receive a moiety of the said purchase money from the aforesaid Philip Weaver; but that he, the said John Shaeffer, died without having made a deed to the said Philip Weaver for the lot aforesaid. And whereas it also appears that the said Philip Weaver is willing to pay the residue of the said purchase money, on receiving a deed, and that the administratrix of the said John Shaeffer is also willing to complete the title for the said lot of ground to the said Philip Weaver, but cannot legally do it, inasmuch as there is no written evidence of contract: Therefore, to enable the said administratrix to make a conveyance,

SECTION I. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That Catharine Shaeffer, administratrix of John Shaeffer, deceased, be, and she is hereby authorized to make a deed to the

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aforesaid Philip Weaver, for the lot of ground aforesaid; to hold the same to the said Philip Weaver, and to his heirs or assigns forever.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

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CHAPTER LXVII.

An ACT dissolving the marriage of Isaac Peck, and Susannah, his wife.

WHEREAS it hath been represented by the memorial and petition of Susannah Peck, late of White Marsh township, Montgomery county, that she contracted marriage with Isaac Peck in the month of April, one thousand eight hundred and five, that shortly after their intermarriage, her said husband, regardless of his matrimonial vows, commenced a series of abusive conduct towards her, which he hath unrelentingly pursued until his abandonment of her in the month of October, one thousand eight hundred and nine, and whereas the barbarous, cruel and unjust conduct of the said Isaac Peck, to his wife Susannah, is satisfactorily proven to the legislature by sundry documents accompanying her petition, and as it satisfactorily appears that the said Susannah hath always maintained the character of an honest, inoffensive woman, and faithful wife: Therefore,

SECT. I. BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the marriage contract entered into by the said Isaac and Susannah Peck, be, and the same is hereby declared to be null and void, and the parties respectively set free, and discharged from the marriage contract, and all the rights and duties arising under the same, as fully and absolutely as if they had never been joined in marriage, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect or render illegitimate, any child or children born of the body of the said Susannah during the coverture.

Marriage contract of Isaac and Susannah Peck dissolved. Not to affect the legitimacy of children born during the coverture.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

SIMON SNYDER.