

CHAPTER IV.

AN ACT

For the benefit of John M. Read, Henry M. Read and Margaret M. Read.

WHEREAS it is represented to the legislature by the petition of John Read as guardian for his children John M. Read, Henry M. Read and Margaret M. Read, that the said children, by the decease of their mother Martha Read, late wife of the said John Read, and daughter of Samuel Meredith, of Wayne county, deceased, became entitled to certain unimproved lands within this commonwealth; that the said lands consist of a number of tracts situate at a distance from each other, and held in common with the other heirs and devisees of the said Samuel Meredith; that it would be much for the interest of all persons concerned, and it is their desire that the said lands should be sold, but an advantageous sale thereof cannot be made on account of the infancy of the said children; and the said petitioner prayeth that an act may be passed authorising him to convey such lands as have been sold in which his said children have an interest, and also to sell and convey on their behalf all their interests in the remainder of the said lands:

SECT. 1. *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 said John Read shall be, and he is hereby authorised to sell and convey in fee simple, for such price, on such terms, and in such manner as he shall think most advantageous, all the real estate to which his said late wife was entitled, and whereof the said John Read is now seized of an estate for the term of his life as tenant by the courtesy with remainder to his said children, and the contracts, sales, conveyances, and receipts for purchase money, to be made and given by the said John Read touching the premises, shall be valid and effectual against all persons claiming or to claim under his late wife: *Provided always,* That the heirs, executors, or administrators of the said John Read shall pay to his said children, or in case of their, or either of their deaths before they arrive at the age of twenty-one years, to such person or persons as would have been entitled to the said estate if it had remained unsold, the full amount of the sum for which the said John Read shall sell the same: *Provided also,* That the said John Read before he proceeds to perform the duties imposed by this act, shall enter into bond in the orphan's court

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for the county of Philadelphia, with sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the said court, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties mentioned in this act.

WILLIAM DAVIDSON, *Speaker*
of the *House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-second day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER V.

AN ACT

For the relief of Isaac Raymond, an old soldier.

SECT. 1. *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 State Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Isaac Raymond, late of Montgomery county, or order, forty dollars immediately after the passing of this act, and an annuity of forty dollars during life, to be paid half yearly, to commence on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.*

WILLIAM DAVIDSON, *Speaker*
of the *House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER VI.

AN ACT

Confirming the titles of John Jacob Smith, to certain real estate therein mentioned.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General*