

in consequence of the situation of his wife who is *non compos mentis*. And whereas the said Isaac Rees has purchased other real estate situate in the said county of Chester, which will be liable to his said wife's right of dower, more valuable than the tract he has sold, which real estate he cannot hold unless he is authorised to convey the aforesaid tract discharged of his said wife's claim of dower.

Therefore,

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 Isaac Rees, of Chester county, be, and he is hereby empowered to convey two adjoining tracts of land situated in the township of Brandywine, in the county of Chester, bounded by lands of William Moore, Job Windel, William Jackson, George Pierce, junior, and others, containing three hundred and eighteen acres of land more or less, discharged of all claim which his wife has or may hereafter have in the said lands by virtue of her right of dower.

REES HILL, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER XLVIII.

A SUPPLEMENT

To the act, entitled "An act for the sale of the undrawn donation land the property of this commonwealth."

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 any person who has commenced, or who may within five years hereafter commence an improvement and actual settlement on any tract of undrawn donation land the property of this commonwealth, agreeably to the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, and who has not previous to the passage of this

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act obtained a title to any of the aforesaid lands, any person or persons making such settlement and improvement as aforesaid, and shall pay into the State Treasury fifty cents per acre with interest from three years after their settlement of the same, with the usual fees of office, the Secretary of the land office shall issue a patent to such actual settler, he producing all such evidence of settlement and improvement as is required by the act to which this is a supplement.

Repeal.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of the act to which this is a supplement, as is hereby altered or supplied, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

REES HILL, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

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CHAPTER XLIX.

AN ACT

Relative to habitual drunkards.

Court on petition to appoint commissioners.

And guardians or trustees may be appointed.

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 upon application by petition of any relation by blood or marriage, of any citizen of this commonwealth, setting forth that such person by reason of habitual drunkenness, has become incapable of managing his or her estate, and is wasting and destroying the same, it shall be lawful for the court of common pleas, of the county in which such person may reside, to appoint commissioners and issue their precept, to the same, who shall thereupon proceed in the same manner as has been heretofore used in cases of persons non compos mentis. And if upon return of the commission, and inquisition thereon to the said court, it shall be found by said inquisition that such person, by reason of habitual intoxication or drunkenness, has become incapable of managing his or her estate, it shall be lawful for the said court of common pleas to appoint at least two persons, who shall not be heirs