

CHAPTER CXVIII.

AN ACT

To authorise the administrators of Richard Maris, late of the city of Philadelphia, merchant, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate of the intestate in the counties of Luzerne and Susquehanna.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the legislature that the said Richard Maris died intestate, leaving a widow Rachael Ross Maris, and issue Thomas Ross Maris, Richard Maris, George Guest Maris and William Maris, the eldest of whom is now about twelve years old, and the youngest not four years, and at the time of his death was seized in fee of several tracts of land in the counties of Luzerne and Susquehanna, and that the said estates are annually sinking by reason of taxes and depredations, it would be much to the benefit of all parties concerned that said lands in the counties of Luzerne and Susquehanna aforesaid should be sold.

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 it shall and may be lawful for Thomas Ross and Caleb Newbold, junior, administrators of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits which were of the said Richard Maris, deceased, either by public sale in the counties of Luzerne and Susquehanna where the lands aforesaid lie, or by public sale at the merchants' coffee house in the city of Philadelphia, or by private sale, to sell and convey all the right, title and interest which the said Richard Maris had at the time of his decease, to lands situate and being in the counties of Luzerne and Susquehanna aforesaid, and the sale or sales, conveyance and conveyances made by the said Thomas Ross and Caleb Newbold, junior, to any purchaser or or purchasers, shall be as good and available in law as if the same had been made by the said Richard Maris the intestate in his lifetime; the proceeds of which sale or sales shall go in the same manner and proportion, and to the same persons or their legal representatives as they would have done agreeably to the provisions of the intestate law, had not this act been passed: Provided, That before the said Thomas Ross and Caleb Newbold, junior, shall proceed to sell the said lands or any part thereof, they shall enter into recognizance with sufficient surety before the orphan's court of the city and county*

of Philadelphia, for the due execution of the trust hereby reposed in them, and for the faithful appropriation of the proceeds of the sale or sales.

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

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER CXIX.

A SUPPLEMENT

To the act, entitled "An act for holding special courts of common pleas.

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 whenever it shall happen that the president of

any judiciary district within this commonwealth, is personally interested in the event of any suit or action now pending or hereafter to be instituted in any county of his district, or shall have been concerned as council for either of the parties, or others under whom they or either of them claim, touching the same subject matter, or whenever it shall happen that the title under which the parties or either of them in any such suit or action, claim shall have been derived from or through such president, then and in either of these cases, all such suits or action shall, and they are hereby declared to be subject to the jurisdiction of special courts of common pleas.

to the jurisdiction of the special courts of common pleas mentioned in the act to which this a supplement, and shall be proceeded in to trial, judgment and execution in the manner directed by said act: *Provided,* That the parties to any cause embraced within this act, may consent to a trial before the president of the court where the suit shall have been commenced, or before such president and any one or more of his associates, or before his associates: *And provided also,* That in all cases to be tried by a special court, the associate judges of the court where such cause shall have been commenced, shall have power at their regular terms to make all necessary rules and orders preparatory to the trial of such causes.

In what cases suits shall be subject to the jurisdiction of special courts of common pleas.

Proviso.

2d proviso.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority afore-*