Authority to the heirs at common law of the said Joseph, the said trustee grant, let and by and with the consent of the said Thomas Ryerson and demise.

Mary his wife, during their joint lives and the life of the survivor of them, to grant, let and demise in fee simple, or for any less estate, as often as it may be necessary, the said two lots of ground or any parcel of them, or either of them reserving thereout and therefor, the best and highest annual ground rent they may reasonably be able to obtain. said ground rent to be payable half yearly, in equal portions, to the same person and persons, for the same estate and estates, and in the same proportions as those to whom and in which the said lots are limited by the said indentures: Provided always nevertheless, That no fine or gross sum, or any thing in nature thereof, be received as the consideration in a greater or lesser degree of such grant or lease, but that the whole consideration be reserved as aforesaid in annual rent:

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And provided also, That nothing in this act contained, shall in any way affect or impair the rights of third persons, not parties or privies to such grants. Sect. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority afore-

Grants, &c. made valid.

said, That all grants and leases made in conformity to this act, shall be as valid and effectual against all and every person and their heirs, who may take any estate under the said indentures, as if made by such person or persons after their arrival at full age.

> REES HILL, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ISAAC WEAVER, Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED-the twenty ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

## CHAPTER CLV.

## AN ACT

Authorising the sale of certain Real Estate, late of Samuel Sellers, deceased.

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 administrators of Samuel Sellers, late of Bucks county deceased, be, and they are hereby authorised to sell to the best advantage, all the undivided right, interest and estate of the deceased, in and to a certain tract of land situate in East Penn township, Northampton county, on the Mahoney creek, adjoining lands of Philip Sendel and others, containing about three hundred acres, and to execute a lawful deed in fee simple to the purchaser: Provided, That the Provisciaid administrators, before they proceed to carry this act into effect, enter into recognizance in the orphan's court of Bucks county, with sureties, in such sum as the court shall direct, for the faithful execution of the powers herein given, and for the due application of the proceeds of the sale, according to the directions of the said court.

REES HILL, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ISAAC WEAVER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

## CHAPTER CLVI.

## AN ACT

To prevent the continuance or establishment of obstructions to the navigation of the river Delaware.

WHEREAS a compact was entered into on the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, by Abraham Clark, Joseph Cooper and Thomas Henderson, commissioners on behalf of the state of New-Jersey, and George Bryan, George Gray and William Bingham, commissioners on the part of the state of Pennsylvania, which compact was afterwards ratified by the legislatures of both states, and amongst other things provides, "That the river Delaware, from the Station point or north-west corner of New-Jersey, northerly, to the place upon the said river where the insular boundary of the state of Delaware touches upon the same, in the whole length and breadth thereof, is, and shall continue to be and remain a common highway, equally free and open for the use, benefit and advantage of the said