

to be paid to Francis M'Clure, or his executor or executors, administrator or administrators, or his or their lawful attorney, to commence from the first day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and seven, and to be paid half-yearly to the said Francis M'Clure, or his executor or executors, administrator or administrators, or to his or their lawful attorney; on warrants to be drawn by the governor on the state treasurer; which annuity shall be expended by the said Francis M'Clure, his executor or executors, administrator or administrators, or his or their lawful attorney in providing clothing, diet and lodging, for the said Gaspar Driver; and it shall and hereby is made the duty of the said Francis M'Clure, his executor or executors, administrator or administrators, or his or their lawful attorney, to make an annual return to the orphans' court of Allegheny county, on oath or affirmation, how and in what manner he or they have executed the trust in him or them confided by this act.

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CHAPTER MMDCCCLXXVI.

AN ACT TO ENABLE ABRAHAM REIST AND JACOB HOSTETTER TO SELL AND CONVEY A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas it is represented to the legislature, that John Metzler, late of the town of Manheim in the county of Lancaster, lately died intestate, seized in his demesne as of fee at the time of his death, of and in a certain lot or piece of ground, situate, lying, and being in the said town of Manheim; containing in front on Prussian street, fifty-seven feet, and in depth to Wolf street, two hundred and seventy feet; bounded on the south by a lot of Samuel Ensminger, on the east by Wolf street, on the north by High street, and on the west by Prussian street, on which lot of ground a small brick barn is erected: That the said John Metzler left a widow named Elizabeth, and issue four children, viz. Jacob, John, Elizabeth and Ann, who are all minors: That the said lot of

ground will not admit of a division among the said widow and children; that it is unproductive and going to decay for want of necessary repairs, and that it would be for the interest of the family of the said intestate if the administrators were enabled by law to sell and convey the said lot of ground, with the appurtenance, and to apply the proceeds thereof for the benefit of the widow and the maintenance and education of the said minor children: Therefore,

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) 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 Abraham Reist and Jacob Hostetter, administrators of all and singular, the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of John Metzler, late of the town of Manheim in the county of Lancaster, deceased, be, and they are hereby authorized to sell at public vendue, to the best and highest bidder, and for the best and highest price which shall be bidden for the same, all that lot of ground in the town of Manheim, with the appurtenance hereinbefore particularly described and set forth, late the estate of the said John Metzler, deceased, and for such estate and interest as the said John Metzler had and held therein, at the time of his decrease; and on the payment of the purchase money therefor to convey the same to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, as fully and amply as the said John Metzler, might or could have done in his lifetime: And upon receipt of the said purchase money, the said administrators shall vest one third part thereof in some productive fund, either by mortgage, or in the purchase of stock; and shall apply the interest thereof to the use of the said widow during her natural life; and upon her decease shall distribute the said one third part to and among the said children, or their legal representatives, according to the course of distribution under the intestate laws of this commonwealth; and the said administrators shall apply the remaining two third parts of the said purchase money, either by vesting the same at interest as aforesaid, or may otherwise expend the same as may be most expedient and most

beneficial for the purpose of maintaining and educating the said minor children, and shall distribute the surplus according to the course aforesaid: And the said administrators shall settle their accounts of the expenditure and appropriation of the said purchase money before the Register and Orphan's court of the county of Lancaster; and shall be subject to the like orders of the said court touching the same, as if the same had been personal estate at the time of the death of the said John Metzler, except as to the objects and the mode of expenditure thereof as is authorized by this act: Provided nevertheless, that before the said administrators proceed to execute the duties herein intrusted to them, they shall enter into bond with sufficient sureties to the register of wills, &c. of Lancaster county for their faithful performance thereof.

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CHAPTER MMDCCLXXVII.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND CONFIRMING THE PLACE FOR HOLDING THE COURTS OF JUSTICE IN THE COUNTY DISTRICT OF POTTER.

Whereas in conformity with the provisions contained in the ninth section of the act, entitled "An act to erect parts of Lycoming, Huntingdon, and Somerset counties into separate county districts," passed March sixth [twenty-sixth], one thousand eight hundred and four,⁽¹⁾ Sampson Crawford, Hugh White, and Robert M'Clure, trustees appointed for the county district of Potter, have transmitted to the general assembly, proposals by them received from John Keating, in his own name, and on behalf of Richard Gernon and John S. Roulet; and it appears that the said John Keating, Richard Gernon, and John S. Roulet have caused a town to be laid out at the forks of Allegheny river in the said county, on a ground plot of ninety acres of land, to be hereafter called and known by the name of Coudersport; two thirds whereof they have offered to convey to the said trustees, exclusive of a square for the erec-