

CHAPTER MMCMXXII.

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER PRISCILLA DILL, WIDOW OF THOMAS DILL, DECEASED, WILLIAM WIREMAN, SENIOR AND WILLIAM WIREMAN, JUNIOR, GUARDIANS OF THE MINOR CHILDREN OF THOMAS DILL, AND ADMINISTRATORS OF THE ESTATE OF CALEB DILL, DECEASED, TO SELL AND CONVEY ONE FOURTH PART OF TWO SEVERAL TRACTS OF LAND IN MONAGHAN TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF YORK.

Whereas it has been represented to the legislature, that Thomas Dill, late of the township of Monaghan in the county of York, died intestate, being in his lifetime seized and entitled to one equal undivided fourth part of two plantations or tracts of land, lying in Monaghan township in the county of York, leaving a widow, named Priscilla Dill, by whom he had issue: namely, Caleb, John, Priscilla, James and Elizabeth Dill, all minors except Caleb Dill, eldest son, who agreeably to the directions of the Orphans' Court of that county, had a jury of twelve men appointed, who made appraisement thereof, and made return of the same to the said Orphans' Court, that the said Caleb Dill with intent to take the same, at the appraisement, had one of the said tracts laid off into town lots with the consent of the widow, and William Wireman, guardian of the minor children with a view of taking the same at the next succeeding Orphans' Court, but before this time arrived the said Caleb Dill died. And whereas the aforesaid widow and guardian of the minor children of Thomas Dill, and the widow and administrators of Caleb Dill, deceased, have by their petition to the legislature, set forth that the land is unproductive in its present state, and that one of the said tracts being situate on the intersection of sundry public roads, and being small is so cut up by them as to render it unfit for farming to advantage, that the other tract lying at some distance from the former, and being also small, and both but little improven, are not capable of being managed so as to afford much benefit to the widow and children, they therefore be-

lieving it would be much more beneficial to lay off and sell one of the said tracts in town lots, as contemplated by the said Caleb in his lifetime: Therefore, have prayed the legislature to pass a law, enabling them to sell either one or both of the tracts aforesaid, in such manner as will be of most advantage to the said widow and minor children. And whereas upon investigation, it appears manifestly for their advantage that the same should be disposed of in the manner as represented by the petitioners: 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 Priscilla Dill, widow and administratrix of Thomas Dill, late of the township of Monaghan in the county of York, deceased, William Wireman, senior, guardian of the minor children of the said Thomas Dill and William Wireman, junior, administrators of the estate of Caleb Dill, deceased, or the survivor of them, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell all the right and estate of Thomas Dill, of, in, and to the one equal fourth part of two plantations or tracts of land lying and situate in the township of Monaghan, in the county of York, of which he died seized, one of the said tracts containing one hundred and seventy acres and fifty-nine perches and allowance, known by the name of Elizabeth Dillstown, the other tract containing one hundred and fifty acres and allowance, as herein described, or however else the same ought to be described, either by public or private sale, for the best price which can be obtained for the same, and to do all acts necessary for carrying into effect the powers given by this act as fully and effectually as the said Thomas or Caleb Dill could or might do were they now living and personally acting for themselves, and the proceeds of the sale of the said estate shall be distributed agreeably to the existing intestate laws of this commonwealth as before the passing of this act: Provided, that before any sale be made as aforesaid, a bond with sufficient surety to be

approved of by the Orphans' Court of the county, shall be filed in the said court for the faithful application of the monies arising from the sale to the purposes mentioned in this act.

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CHAPTER MMCMXXIII.

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AN ACT GRANTING A TRACT OF DONATION LAND TO WILLIAM  
McCORMICK.

Whereas it satisfactorily appears that William M'Cormick, now residing in Mercer county, did faithfully serve four years in the first Pennsylvania regiment in the late revolutionary war, and also in the militia of Lancaster county, that he was taken prisoner at Paole and detained for eight months in captivity, during which time, as well as on other occasions, he suffered much, which laid the foundation of the pains and ills that he now in old age experiences: 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 the proper officer shall place William M'Cormick, on the list of soldiers entitled to donation lands, and on his application by himself or attorney, duly constituted, shall draw and patent to him such donation land as he would have been entitled to, had he served to the end of the war: and the said officers shall and they are hereby authorized to insert a clause in the patent aforesaid, that said donation land shall be unalienable during the lifetime of the said William M'Cormick.

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