

time he made this contract he was not informed that owing to his being an alien, his title to the said estate would be defective, and that he will now be exposed to much inconvenience unless his title to the said estate should be confirmed by an act of the legislature: 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 General Victor Moreau, be, and he is hereby enabled to have and hold an estate in the borough of Morrisville, situate on the banks of the river Delaware, in Bucks county, nearly opposite Trenton, for which he has contracted to purchase, and all such lands, tenements and hereditaments, as he has contracted for in the said borough, to him, his heirs and assigns in fee simple, or otherwise, as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as if he had been a citizen of Pennsylvania at the time of making the said contract, and that all claim of the commonwealth to the said estate by reason of any escheat, be, and the same is hereby released.

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CHAPTER MMMXXXVI.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING JACOB KIMMEL AND ABRAHAM KONIGMACHER, OF LANCASTER COUNTY, TO SELL AND CONVEY CERTAIN LANDS THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas Peter Shoemaker late of Cocalico township, in the county of Lancaster, by his last will and testament bearing date the twenty-fifth day of September, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, did devise unto Jacob Senseman, Ludwick Hecker, Jacob Eicker, Benjamin Bowman and Peter Fahnstick, a certain tract of land in the said township of Cocalico, containing about two hundred acres more or less, in trust to employ the same for the use, benefit and

maintenance of the christian people at Ephrata, and in case of the death of all or any of the said trustees, the said christian people were empowered to choose others in their place and stead: And whereas the trustees subsequently appointed agreeably to said will, together with Benjamin Bowman, the only surviving original trustee, have represented in their petition, that there are now remaining in communion at Ephrata, but one brother and five sisters, who are aged and infirm, and require immediate relief, that cannot be derived from said land which is uncultivated, and have desired to be authorized to sell one hundred and fifty acres, thereof, and to apply the proceeds to the immediate relief and future benefit of the said surviving brother and sisters, and as the maintenance of the said christian people was the principal intention of Peter Shoemaker the devisor, which cannot be obtained without a sale of part of said tract: 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 Jacob Kimmel and Abraham Konigmacher, of the township of Cocalico, in the county of Lancaster, or the survivor of them, be, and they are hereby authorized to sell by public or private sale, in such manner as to them may appear most advantageous, one hundred and fifty acres, part of the tract of land devised by Peter Shoemaker, for the use of the christian people in communion with the society at Ephrata, situated, lying and being in Cocalico township, in the county of Lancaster, bounded by lands of Frederick Garret, Joseph Mishler, John Bucher and others, for the best price which can be obtained, and to convey the same in fee simple to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, on the purchase money being paid or secured to be paid, and to apply such part thereof as they shall think proper for the immediate relief and support of the surviving brother and five sisters, remaining of the society at Ephrata, and to place the residue of the money at interest or vest it in some productive fund, and to apply the proceeds thereof to the sup-

port of the said brother and sisters, during their natural lives respectively, if they shall so long continue in the said society: Provided, that before the said Jacob Kimmel and Abraham Konigmacher, or the survivor of them, shall proceed to sell the said land, they or the survivor of them shall give such security to the orphans' court, of the county of Lancaster, as shall be approved of by the said court, well and faithfully to apply the proceeds of such sale in the manner directed by this act; and as soon as the trusts created in and by the last will and testament of the said Peter Shoemaker, in and upon the said land, shall expire, faithfully to account for the remaining fund in such manner as is or may be directed by law.

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CHAPTER MMMXXXVII.

AN ACT CONFIRMING THE TITLE OF MANNING MARTAIN TO CERTAIN LANDS THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas it is represented by Manning Martain of Washington county, that he is a native of Ireland, and that he arrived in this state the twenty-fourth day of August, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, with an intention of residing therein, and that on the thirteenth day of December, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, he purchased two hundred and six acres of land of James Stevenson, situate on the waters of Buffaloe creek in Finly township, Washington county, and bounded by lands of Thomas Waller, Barnet Bonner, John Kelly, and other lands of James Stevenson, and received a poll deed on a warrant for said land, granted to said James Stevenson, bearing date the thirteenth day of July, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, on which a survey was made and a patent issued in the name of said Manning Martain, bearing date the ninth day of April, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine: Wherefore,