

CHAPTER MMMCII.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF JOHN VANLEAR.

Whereas John Vanlear, now a citizen of Washington county, in the state of Maryland, has by his petition represented to the legislature, that he was on the twenty-ninth day of December, Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, lawfully joined in marriage to Jane Coulter, and that she continued to reside with him as his wife, for several years, and after bearing to him several children, she abandoned his bed and board. And whereas the provisions of the laws of this state do not fully embrace the petitioner's case, it presents a proper occasion for the interposition 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 John Vanlear, of the county of Washington, in the state of Maryland, shall be and he is hereby declared entitled to all the provisions of an act entitled "An act concerning divorces and alimony," passed on the nineteenth day of September, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five,⁽¹⁾ and of the supplement passed thereto, on the second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and four,⁽²⁾ as fully and effectually and to all intents and purposes as if he was a citizen of this state, and had resided therein one year previous to the filing any petition or libel according to the said act, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Note (1). Chapter 1137; 12 Statutes at Large, p. 94.

Note (2). Chapter 2495; 17 Statutes at Large, p. 834.