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By Authority.

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AN ACT to provide for the confirmation and settlement of Private Land Claims in East Florida, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the decisions made by the Commissioners appointed to ascertain claims and titles to land in the District of East Florida, and those recommended for confirmation, under the quantity of three thousand five hundred acres, and in favor of claimants to lands and lots, contained in the reports, abstracts, and opinions, of said Commissioners, which have been transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, according to law, and referred by him to Congress, on the twenty-first of February, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, and the twenty-first of February, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, be, and the same are hereby, confirmed.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all the conflicting Spanish claims, reported in obedience to the fourth section of an act of Congress, approved May the eighth, eighteen hundred twenty-two, entitled "An act for ascertaining claims and titles to lands in the Territory of Florida," be, and the same are hereby confirmed: *Provided,* That this confirmation shall only operate as a relinquishment of the the title of the United States: *Provided further,* That nothing in the aforegoing sections shall be construed to prevent or bar the judicial decision between persons claiming titles to the lands confirmed.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the commons in the city of St. Augustine be, and the same are hereby, confirmed to the Corporation of said city, to the same extent that they were used, claimed, and enjoyed, under the Spanish Government. And the Parochial church, and burying ground in possession of the Roman Catholic congregation, are confirmed to them: and the Old Episcopal church lot is, hereby, relinquished and confirmed to the Incorporate Episcopal church of St. Augustine: *Provided always,* That the grants in this section specified shall forever inure to the purposes for which they are confirmed, and shall not be alienated without the consent of Congress.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the late Board of Commissioners to deliver over to the Receiver and Register, to be appointed for the District of East Florida, all records, evidence, and papers, in the possession of said Board, relating to claims and titles to land, in said District: and it shall be the duty of said Receiver and Register, to examine and decide all claims and titles to land, in East Florida, not heretofore decided by the late Board of Commissioners, subject to the limitations, and in conformity with the provisions of the several acts of Congress providing for the adjustment of private land claims in Florida.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the several claimants to land in said District, whose claims have not been heretofore decided on or filed, before the late Board of Commissioners, be permitted to file their claims, and the evidence in support of them, with the Register and Receiver of said District, & evidence in support of those filed before said Board, at any time before the first of November next, whose duty it shall be to report the same, with their decision thereon, and those already filed, to the Secretary of the Treasury, on or before the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, to be laid before Congress, at the next session.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That the Receiver and Register shall have power to appoint a Clerk, and prescribe his duties, and the Receiver and Register shall each be entitled to receive the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, to be paid quarterly, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, as a full compensation for the performance of their duties as Receiver and Register, and the additional duties required by this act, and shall not be allowed any other fees or commission whatever, and the Clerk appointed by them shall be paid quarterly out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That the Keepers of Public Archieves of East and West Florida, shall furnish to the Surveyor of Public Lands in Florida, without delay, a description of each claim to land which shall have been confirmed, which shall specially designate the quantity, locality, and connexion of such claim; and, where the confirmation may have been made on a grant or survey, a copy of the courses and distances contained in such grant or survey, and the date of the survey or grant; and it shall be the duty of the Surveyor of the Public Lands in Florida, to cause, under such instructions as he may receive from the Treasury Department, the said claims to be surveyed, and connected with the Township lines of the public surveys, and to give to them their proper township and sectional numbers, agreeably to such descriptions; and he shall make separate plats and certificates of survey of the same, one of which shall be returned to the office of the Register of the Land Office for the District in which the land may be, and the other shall be delivered to the claimants. But it shall be the duty of the Surveyor to withhold his certificate, if he shall have reason to believe that the lands claimed are other lands than those intended to be confirmed; or if it shall appear that the survey, under which the land is claimed, has been made subsequent to the date of the survey under which the claim was confirmed.

Sec. 8. *And be it further enacted,* That, so soon as the said tracts of land shall have been thus surveyed, and the surveys thereof returned to the office of the proper Register, it shall be the duty of the said Register to issue certificates in favor of the claimants entitled thereto; and, if it shall appear, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of the General Land office, that the certificates have been fairly obtained, and correspond with the transcripts transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, and the plats returned to the Surveyor, patents shall be granted, in like manner as is provided by law for the other Public Lands of the United States.

Sec. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That the Surveyor of the public Lands shall designate on the Township plats the claims for which he shall have refused to issue his certificates of survey.

Sec. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That the expense of surveying all claims founded on surveys or grants shall be paid by the U. States: *Provided,* The same shall not exceed four dollars per mile for every mile actually run and marked.

Sec. 11. *And be it further enacted,* That no patent shall issue, without the consent of the parties, for lands, the claims to which may have been confirmed on surveys, which interfere with each other, until a legal decision shall have been had on the same.

Sec. 12. *And be it further enacted,* That the holders of claims over three thousand five hundred acres, which have been filed with the Commissioners, or, with the Register and Receiver of the Land Office for West Florida, acting as Commissioners for adjudicating on claims, or of claims which have been filed with the Commissioners for adjudicating claims to land in East Florida, or which, under the provisons of this act, may be filed with the Register and Receiver of the Land Office for East Florida, and which claims have not been reported against by the said Commissioners, or by the Register and Receiver, shall cause the same to be so connected with the township lines of the public surveys, and shall furnish to the Surveyor of the public lands in Florida such information as will enable him to exhibit, accurately, the said claims on his township plats, and the lands thus claimed shall be reserved from sale: *Provided,* The information required, to enable the Surveyor to exhibit them on the Township plats, shall have been furnished to him within one year after the lines of the townships, within which such claims may lie, shall have been run; or, where the township lines have already been run, within one year from the passage of this act.

Sec. 13. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Register and Receiver, at Tallahassee, to deliver over to the keeper of the public archieves of West Florida all the records and papers of the late Board of Commissioners for West Florida; and it shall be the duty of the Register and Receiver of the Land Office for East Florida, to deliver to the keeper of the public archieves of East Florida all the records and papers of the late Board of Commissioners for East Florida, relating to claims confirmed by this act.

Sec. 14. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be lawful for the Governor and Legislative Council to sell one of the reserved quarter sections of land, near Tallahassee, and apply the proceeds to the erection of public buildings; and it shall be lawful for them to reserve such portion of the quarter section to the town of Tallahassee, contiguous to the creek and water fall, as may, in their opinion, contribute to the health and convenience of the inhabitants; and they shall have power to pass laws for the preservation of, and expulsion from, the other two reserved quarter sections, all intruders, and to abate all nuisances; which said two reserved quarter sections shall be reserved for, and vested in the State, should that Territory ever be erected into one.

Sec. 15. *And be it further enacted,* That the three persons whose improvements were included in the reserves made to certain Indian chiefs, in the treaty with the Florida Indians, of September, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, shall be entitled to a pre-emption to the same quantity of land, in said district, upon the same terms and conditions as other pre-emptions, to be located under the direction of the Receiver and Register, upon the production of proof that they would have been entitled to the provisions of the act granting the right of pre-emption if the reserves had not been made.

JOHN W. TAYLOR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
NATHANIEL MACON,
President of the Senate pro tempore.
Washington, 8th Feb. 1827.
Approved: JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

PUBLIC SALE.

BY virtue of an order of the Orphans' court of Talbot county, will be exposed to public vendue, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of March next, at the late residence of Capt. William Ray, in Miles River Neck, all the personal estate of said deceased, (negroes excepted) consisting of household and kitchen furniture, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, farming utensils, a quantity of corn in the ear, corn blades, pork, and many other articles too tedious to mention.

Terms of Sale—For all sums of and under five dollars the cash will be required, for all sums above five dollars, a credit of six months will be given, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale—Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. and attendance given by

PETER STEVENS, Jr. Adm'r.
of William Ray, deceased

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Negroes for Sale.

WILL be offered at Public Sale at Easton on TUESDAY, the thirteenth day of March next, several YOUNG NEGROES, both male and female, also a good house servant; they will be sold for Cash, with a prohibition not to go out of the State, a bond will be required of the purchaser to that effect, the subscribers have authority from James Seth, Esqr. to dispose of the above Negroes, to pay several debts, for which the subscribers are security.

WILLIAM JENKINS.
ROBERT LAMBDIN.

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Constable Sale.

BY virtue of five writs of Fiera Facias to me directed, one at the suit of John Stevens, Jr. against Greenbury Martin and Henry Morgan—one at the suit of Peter Webb, against Greenbury Martin, Enoch Morgan and Henry Morgan—one at the suit of Matthew J. Higgins, use of Thomas Bowdle, against Henry & Enoch Morgan—and two at the suits of John Stevens, Jr. against Henry Morgan—WILL BE SOLD at the Trappe, on SATURDAY, the 10th day of March next; the following property to wit: One Negro Girl named Nancy, one Gig and Geer, one Grey Colt. Levied and will be sold to satisfy the above named fieri facias and costs due, and to become due thereon.

SOLOMON MULLIKIN, Constable.

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Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas, issued out of Talbot county Court, to me directed against Benjamin Benny, at the suit of Henry D. Sellers; also one other venditioni exponas issued out of the Court of Appeals, to me directed, against Benjamin Benny, at the suit of William Biles, will be sold at public sale on TUESDAY, the 13th March next, at the Court House door in the Town of Easton, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. the following property to wit: all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Benjamin Benny, of, in and to the Farm or Plantation where he resided, situate on the main road leading from the Chapel to Wye, and known by the name of Kerby's Advantage, and Benny's Resurvey, containing in all TWO HUNDRED & EIGHTY ACRES of LAND more or less. Seized and will be sold to pay and satisfy the above mentioned fieri facias and the interests and costs due, and to become due thereon—Attendance by

THOMAS HENRIX, Shff.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of Talbot county Court, to me directed against John McQuay, Jr. and Tristram Faulkner, Executors of Patrick McQuay, at the suit of Jeremiah Harrison, administrator of Mary Harrison, will be sold at public sale, on TUESDAY, the 20th of March next, at the Court House door, in the town of Easton, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. the following property, to wit:—All the right, title, interest and claim of John McQuay & Tristram Faulkner, of, in and to the Farm or Plantation where the said John McQuay now resides, situate in the Bayside, or Dirty Neck, & known by the names of Samshier and part Divine St. Andrew, containing in all NINETY-ONE ACRES of LAND, more or less—also one negro boy named Henry and one negro girl called Ann—Seized and will be sold to pay and satisfy the above mentioned fieri facias, and the interest and costs due and to become due thereon, also for officers fees for 1825 and 1826.—Attendance by

feb 27 4w THOMAS HENRIX, Shff.

VALUABLE SERVANTS

FOR SALE.

TO be sold at private sale by virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of Talbot county, on a credit of six months, several negro men, women, boys and girls, of various ages—Application to be made to

SAM'L. ROBERTS, Adm'r.
of John W. Blake, dec'd.

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Easton Cattle Show.

BY the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Agricultural Society for the Eastern Shore.

Resolved, That there be exhibited at Easton a Cattle Show and Fair of Animals, Agricultural Implements, and Domestic Manufactures, during the ensuing Autumn: and that THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the first, second, and third days of November, be the days appointed for this purpose.

RICHARD SPENCER, Secretary.

Easton, 22d Feb. 1827.—[feb 27 4w]

The Editor of the American Farmer, and those of papers printed on the Eastern Shore, friendly to the Improvements of Agriculture, are respectfully requested to publish this notice in their respective Journals.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE partnership heretofore existing under the firm of HARDCASTLE & HARPER, at Hillsborough, Caroline county, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 17th of February inst. All persons indebted to said firm are desired to make payment without delay; and all persons having claims against said firm are requested to bring them in for settlement to either of the subscribers.

SAMUEL R. HARDCASTLE.
EDWARD C. HARPER.

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J. & R. Stevenson,

LATE FROM PHILADELPHIA,

RESPECTFULLY inform their friends and the public in general, that they have opened

A FRUIT & CONFECTIONARY STORE,

No 89, Market street Baltimore, two doors bove South, where they will keep constantly on hand a general stock of GOODS in their line, of a superior quality, wholesale and retail, at the following reduced prices:

MINT CANDY, assorted,
LEMON,
HOREHOUND,
BARLEY SUGAR,
CINNAMON,
ROSE CAKE,
ROSE ALMOND,
SUGAR ALMONDS,
SUGAR PLUMBS,
SURETS or KISSES,
MINT DROPS, all at 25 cts per lb.
Mint Drops on paper per sheet 10 do.
SYRUPS of all descriptions of the best quality at $6 per dozen,
WINE BITTERS, 5 do. do.

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A FRESH SUPPLY OF GOOD MATERIALS.

THE SUBSCRIBER begs leave to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has just received from Baltimore, a supply of

Calf Skins and Morocco,

of a superior quality, suitable for BOOTS—also a quantity of SOLE LEATHER, which he will manufacture at the shortest notice, and in the very best manner. Gentlemen disposed to purchase Boots, would do well to give him a call.

The public's obedient servant,

feb 20 3w JOHN WRIGHT.

Baltimore & Easton Packet.

THE SCHOONER

JANE AND MARY.

THE subscriber informs the public that the schooner JANE & MARY, will run as a regular packet and freight boat, between Easton Point and Baltimore, during the season. She will leave Easton Point for Baltimore every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, and leave Baltimore for Easton Point every Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, during the season.

He has taken the granary belonging to Mrs. Vickars, which is in complete order for the reception of grain or any other freight the public may please to commit to his charge.—The packet is provided with an active and experienced sailing Master and a good set of hands, she is also provided with excellent accommodations for passengers, and the table shall be well furnished. Every necessary attention shall be paid to the comfort and convenience of the passengers. All orders left with the subscriber or in his absence with Mr. Bennett Tomlinson at Easton Point, or at Moore & Kellie's Drug Store, in Easton, will be punctually attended to.

The grain entrusted to the subscriber, will be consigned to Mr. James Barroll, of Baltimore, for sale.

The subscriber hopes by the strictest attention to business and the most scrupulous punctuality to merit a share of public patronage.

The packet will leave Easton Point for Baltimore at 9 o'clock, on SUNDAY morning the 18th of the present month.

feb 13 RICHARD J. TRIPPE.

N. B. An experienced Clerk is wanted to attend to the above business, to whom liberal wages will be given R. J. T.

Easton and Baltimore Packet.

THE SLOOP

Edward Lloyd,

EDWARD AULD, Master,

WILL leave Easton Point on WEDNESDAY the 14th February, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Returning, leave Baltimore every SATURDAY at 10 o'clock, A. M. and will continue to leave Easton and Baltimore on the above named days during the season.

The Subscriber gratefully acknowledges the past favours of his friends and customers, and the public in general, and hopes that his long experience in business and his unremitted attention, will insure him a liberal share of public patronage. All orders left with the subscriber, or in his absence with Mr. Samuel H. Benny, his Clerk, at his office at Easton Point, will be thankfully received and faithfully executed.

EDWARD AULD.

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EASTON HOTEL.

THE SUBSCRIBER informs his friends and the public, from whom he has for so many years received the most flattering patronage, that he will continue to keep the EASTON HOTEL—where his customers will be accommodated with the best of every thing, in season, afforded by the markets of the place—where they will receive, not only his sincere thanks, but the utmost and most diligent endeavours to please—and an assurance that their past kindness shall stimulate him to still greater exertions. The above establishment is large and very spacious, with twenty one lodging rooms.

The Public' Obedient Servant,

SOLOMON LOWE.

Easton, dec 28 w

N. B. Horses, Gigs and Hacks can be furnished to any part of the Peninsula at the shortest notice. S. L.

List of Laws

Passed during the present session of the Legislature of this state, and which have received the signature of the Governor.

No. 1. An act to alter and change the name of James Tolly Howard, of Harford county, to that of James Walter Tolly.

2. An act to alter the time for the transaction of equity business in the county courts of the First Judicial District.

3. An act to change the name of John Cullember, and Ann his wife, and Mary Ann his daughter, of Calvert county, to the name of John Williams, Ann Williams, and Mary Ann Williams.

4. An act to alter and change the name of James Mills, a minor, of Dorchester county, to that of James Applegarth.

5. An act to extend to Thomas St. Clair, of Harford county, the benefit of an act passed February the 11th, eighteen hundred and twenty-two, chapter one hundred and fifty-two, relating to public roads in the several counties therein mentioned.

6. An act for the relief of Mary Hall, of Worcester county.

7. An act for the relief of certain minors, therein mentioned.

8. An act to close up part of an old road, and make public, in lieu thereof, the new road therein mentioned.

9. An act relative to Public Roads in Prince George's county.

10. An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to exempt the servants of overseers of the county roads in Dorchester county, from doing duty on said roads passed at December session one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, and for other purposes:

11. An act for the relief of Wilson Carey Selden, Sen. and Wilson Carey Selden, Jr. citizens of Virginia.

12. An act to repeal an act of assembly, entitled, An act requiring the judges of the fourth judicial district, of this state to set apart certain days for the transaction of chancery business in said courts.

13. An act to divorce Catharine Will, and her husband George Will of Frederick county.

14. A supplement to an act entitled, An act for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Alleghany county, passed at December session, 1824.

15. An act to repeal an act relating to the public roads in Talbot county, passed at December session, 1825.

16. An act to confirm the proceedings of the levy court of Somerset county.

17. A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to authorise the Governor and Council of Maryland to appoint the inspectors of Flour for this state.

18. A supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorising the commissioners to lay out a road in Montgomery and Anne Arundel counties.

19. A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to incorporate the trustees of the Male Free School of Baltimore.

20. An act for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Cecil county.

21. An act for the relief of Negro Esther, and others her descendants.

22. An act to authorise the levy court of Washington county, to levy a sum of money to be applied towards the erection of a bridge over the Conococheague creek, on the road leading from Hagers-town to Mercersburgh.

23. An act extending the time for Fielder Cross, the Collector of Prince George's county, to complete his collections.

24. An act to authorise the Levy Court of Frederick county to levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned.

25. An act to make valid a deed from John Miles to John Coulburn, late of Somerset county, deceased.

26. An additional supplement to the act, for the relief of the poor in Dorchester and Somerset counties.

27. An act for the revaluation of the real and personal property in Washington county.

28. An act respecting the town of Clear Spring in Washington county.

29. An act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of Montgomery county, and for other purposes.

30. An act to alter and amend so much of an act, entitled, An act to lay out and open a road from Westminster, in Frederick county, to the city of Washington and George-town; as relates to the opening of said road through Montgomery county.

31. An act to repeal all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Frederick county into eleven election districts.

32. A supplement to an act entitled, An act for incorporating a society to educate and maintain poor orphan, and other destitute female children, by the name of Orphaline Charity School, and to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned.

33. An act to confirm certain proceedings of David Crawford, Alexander Mundell, John R. Magruder, Jun. and John Hodges Commissioners, appointed by an act of the last session of assembly to appropriate and expend certain monies raised by lottery.

34. An act to provide for the repairing a certain bridge therein mentioned.

35. A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to provide for a new assessment, and to appoint collectors of the county tax, in and for the city and county of Baltimore.

36. An act to authorize and empower the Justices of the Levy Court of Harford county, to convey a portion of the public ground for the purposes therein mentioned.

37. An act to extend the time for James Dirickson, late collector of Worcester county, to complete his collection.

38. An act to authorise and empower James J. Bourne, of Calvert county, to perfect a contract entered into by himself and Susan his wife, with Nathaniel Dare, of said county, and for other purposes.

39. An act to prevent boats and other vessels from taking sand from that part of the Eastern Branch of the Potomac lying and being in Prince George's county.

40. An act to incorporate the Methodist Preacher's Aid Society of Baltimore.

41. An act to alter and change the location of part of Hall's Cross Roads and Belle Air election districts, in Harford county.

42. An act to ascertain and settle the salaries of the members of the council for the present year.

43. An act authorising the Register of Wills for Anne Arundel county to perfect the record of Joseph Chew's will.

44. An act for the relief of Elizabeth M. Brown, of Harford county.

45. A supplement to the act to provide for the preservation of the records belonging to the office of the clerk of Somerset county.

46. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Saturfield of Caroline county.

47. An act to alter and change the name of Alexander Ewing, a minor, of Talbot county, to Alexander Ewing Dudley.

48. A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to alter and amend the charter of the city of Annapolis.

49. An act to incorporate a Mutual Beneficial Society in the City of Baltimore, by the name of Saint Patrick's Society.

50. An act for the relief of Michael De Young, of the city of Baltimore.

51. An act for the relief of Margaret Johns Key.

52. An act to alter the times of holding the County Courts in Worcester and Somerset counties.

53. An act establishing a library for the use of the legislature.

54. An act for the benefit of Mary Davis, of Washington county.

55. An act to repeal part of an act of assembly therein mentioned.

56. An act for the relief of Henrietta Maria Goldsborough, of Baltimore county.

57. An act relating to the register of the Land Office for the Western & Eastern shores.

58. An act to divorce Elizabeth Blakely, and her husband, John Blakely, of Baltimore county.

59. An act to incorporate a company in the city of Baltimore, to be called The Independent Fire Company.

60. An act for the benefit of Eliza'th. Smith, of Washington county.

61. An act to continue in force the acts of as-

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