

them just and reasonable, the same shall be conclusive against all parties.

Non-user, forfeiture, &c. SECTION 6. That the non-user of the powers herein given, shall not work a forfeiture of them; but nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken as a promise from the legislature not to repeal or abridge them at any subsequent period.

Repealing clause. SECTION 7. That the acts of assembly passed on the twenty-fifth of March, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and nine, on this subject, which are altered and supplied by the passage of this act, to which this is a supplement, are hereby repealed.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 12.

AN ACT

Relative to the sale of the real estate of John Matheys, deceased.

Preamble. WHEREAS, Jacob Slough, late of Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, deceased, who died in the year 1826, intestate, leaving a widow named Catharine, and seven children, viz: Jacob Slough, Margaret, intermarried with Jonas Rambo, Elizabeth Slough, Joseph Slough, Catharine Slough, Sarah Slough and Rebecca Slough, all of whom were then of full age, was, at the time of his death, seized in fee simple of a certain messuage and tract of land, situated in Norriton township, in the county aforesaid, containing one hundred acres, and one hundred and twenty-two perches, more or less.

AND WHEREAS, In consequence of the personal estate of the said Jacob Slough, deceased, not being sufficient to pay his debts, the said Catharine Slough, widow, and Jonas Rambo and Margaret, his wife, Elizabeth Slough, Joseph Slough, Catharine Slough, Sarah Slough and Rebecca Slough, children aforesaid, by letter of attorney, bearing date the first day of August, 1826, duly executed and recorded in said county, did constitute and appoint Jacob Slough and Mathias Brumback the administrators of the said Jacob Slough, deceased, their attorneys in fact, with full authority to sell said messuage and tract of land, at such price as a majority of them should approve, and in their names to execute a good and sufficient deed for the absolute conveyance of the premises to the purchaser in fee simple; and out of the purchase money of said premises, to pay the debts of the intestate, and distribute the

residue thereof among the heirs and legal representatives of said decedent.

AND WHEREAS, The said Jacob Slough and Mathias Brumback, in pursuance of said letter of attorney, with the approbation of the above named widow and children of the said intestate, sold the said messuage and tract of land to John Matheys, late of said county, for the sum of three thousand, six hundred and twenty-five dollars; and they, together with Jacob Slough, and Susan, his wife, in consideration of said sum paid to said attornies in fact, executed and delivered to the said John Matheys, a deed, conveying said messuage and tract of land to him in fee, dated the second day of April, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, and duly recorded in the recorder's office of said county.

AND WHEREAS, The whole of the purchase money for said premises was paid by said John Matheys, and the sale of said premises was ratified by the said widow and heirs, and the said purchase money accounted for by said administrators in their final settlement of the estate, and distributed and paid to said children and heirs, as appears by their refunding bond, duly executed by them to said administrators, bearing date the fifteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, acknowledging the receipt thereof.

AND WHEREAS, The said John Matheys, died seized of said messuage and tract of land, with other real estate, having first made his last will and testament in writing, dated December thirty-first, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, duly proved and remaining in the register's office of said county, by which he directed his executors, therein named, to sell his farm, including the above mentioned messuage and tract of land, who, in pursuance of said will, sold the said premises to Thomas Owen.

AND WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen whether the deed executed by Jacob Slough and Mathias Brumback, and Jacob Slough and wife, to the said John Matheys, conveying said premises in fee, was in due form of law, and was duly executed and passed the legal title in the premises to said Matheys.

AND WHEREAS, Margaret Rambo, one of the children of Jacob Slough, deceased, who received her full share of the consideration money for said premises, is now dead, leaving minor children; and there is no person duly authorized to execute a release, or other instrument, on their part, to remove the supposed defect in the legal title to said premises, without the aid of a special act of assembly; therefore,

SECTION 1. *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 Slough and Mathias Brumback, administrators of the estate of Jacob Slough, late of Montgomery county, deceased, and attornies in fact of the widow and heirs of said decedent, or the survivor of them, be and they are hereby authorized to make and execute a deed to the executors of John Matheys, late of said county, deceased, for the said messuage and tract of land, situate in Norriton township, and county aforesaid, of which said Jacob Slough, died seized, in trust for the uses and purposes declared in the will of said John Matheys, and any declaration, or other instrument, which may be deemed necessary to perfect the title for said premises, to the purchaser or purchasers thereof from said executors; which deed, so made and executed, shall be taken, deemed, and construed to pass all the right, title and interest of said Jacob Slough,

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deceased, as completely and effectually as a sale and deed made under an order of the orphans' court of said county, duly made for the payment of debts.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-ninth day of January, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 13.

AN ACT

To incorporate the "Farmers' mutual insurance company" in the county of Lancaster.

SECTION 1. *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 M'Cartney, John Strohm, John Rohrer, Francis Herr and John Musselman, and all other persons who may hereafter associate with them in the manner hereinafter prescribed, and their successors, shall be and they are hereby constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name, style, and title of the "Farmers' mutual insurance company," in the county of Lancaster, and by the same name, shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and to be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all the courts of record or elsewhere; and to purchase, receive, have, hold and enjoy to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises and hereditaments, goods and chattels, of what kind soever, and choses in action; and the same, to sell and dispose of from time to time, and also to make and have one common seal, and the same to alter and renew at pleasure; and also to ordain, establish, and put in execution such by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as shall appear necessary and convenient for the government of said corporation, not being contrary to this charter or the laws and constitution of the United States, or of this commonwealth; and generally to do and transact all such matters and things as shall to them lawfully appertain to do and transact, for the well-being of said corporation, and the due management and well ordering of the affairs thereof: *Provided, That* the clear yearly value or income of the necessary houses, lands, tenements, rents and annuities, or other hereditaments and real estate of the said corporation, and the interest of money loaned by it, shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. The object and business of the said company, shall and is hereby prescribed to be the insurance of their respective dwelling houses, stores, shops and other buildings, household furniture, goods

Corporators.

Name.

Powers and privileges.

Proviso.

Object and business.