

be as valid in law, and as obligatory upon all parties concerned, as if the letters testamentary under which the said William Stewart acted, had been legally granted; and all sales of real estate made by him, the said William Stewart, while acting as executor aforesaid, in pursuance to the directions of the will of said decedent, are hereby ratified and confirmed; and George Plummer, the legal acting administrator with the will annexed of the said Robert Harvey, deceased, is hereby authorized and directed to make, execute, and deliver to the purchasers of the real estate so sold by the said William Stewart, on the compliance of said purchasers, with the terms of sale, deeds of conveyance for the real Deeds. estate so purchased by them; such deeds of conveyance being hereby declared good and valid: *Provided however*, That the said administrator with the will annexed, shall, before the execution of the said deed, hereby authorized, present a petition to the orphans' court of Washington county, setting forth particularly the contracts made by the said William Stewart, as executor of the said Robert Harvey, deceased, and if the court shall be of opinion that the same were entered into in good faith, and are beneficial to the estate of deceased, they are hereby authorized to approve of the same, upon the said administrator executing a bond to the commonwealth, with sufficient security for the use of all Bond. persons interested, in such penalty as the said court may direct, with condition for the faithful application of the proceeds of sales, according to law, and in pursuance to the will of deceased.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM P. WILCOX,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 88.

AN ACT

Relating to the estate of the late William M. Camac.

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 it shall and may be lawful for the trustees appointed by the will of William M. Camac, late of Penn township, in the county of Philadelphia, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from time to time, to invest any of the funds of the estate in the purchase of ground Investment of rents or other real estate, situate in this commonwealth, and to purchase funds at any sheriff's sale, or at any other public or private sale, any real estate upon which the estate of the said William M. Camac now has or holds, or may hereafter have or hold, any mortgage, judgment, or

other lien or incumbrances, or out of which any ground rent held by the said estate may have been or may be reserved.

Power to sell
lots.

SECTION 2. And whereas, in consequence of the opening of streets through some of the lots belonging to the said estate, or from other circumstances, some of the said lots may be or may become of inconvenient shape, situation or dimensions, and it may be desirable that others of the said lots should acquire fronts on streets or other passages which they do not now or may not hereafter possess, it is further enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the said trustees, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, in any case in which they may deem it expedient, in reference to the interests of the said estate, to dispose of any or any part or parts of any lot or lots of the said estate, either by way of sale or exchange, and in like manner to procure or obtain, either by way of purchase or exchange, any lots or strips or pieces of land that may be necessary and proper, for the purpose of giving convenient and suitable shape, situation or dimensions to any such lot or lots of the estate, or for the purpose of acquiring or obtaining any front or fronts as aforesaid, and to execute all such deeds and other instruments, and to do and perform all such acts and things as may be necessary and proper for carrying into full and complete effect any and every such sale, purchase and exchange, and so that the purchaser or grantee in every such deed, shall and may take and hold the lots or pieces of land so granted or conveyed by the said trustees, free and discharged from all the uses and trusts in the said will mentioned and declared, and without any liability to see to the application of the purchase money, or (in the case of an exchange) to the disposition or appropriation of any lots or pieces of ground taken by the said trustees in or by way of such exchange.

Partition.

SECTION 3. It shall and may be lawful for the said trustees, in any case in which the said testator held an undivided interest in any real estate at the time of his death, to make or obtain partition and division of such real estate, either by voluntary agreement or agreements with the party or parties holding other undivided interests in such real estate, or by instituting and conducting proceedings for the purpose, in any court in this commonwealth having competent jurisdiction, or by becoming parties to any proceedings instituted for such purpose, and to execute and receive all such deeds or instruments, and to do and perform all such acts and things as may be necessary and proper to carry into complete effect such partition or partitions; and if in any case or cases, actual or equal partition of such real estate cannot be made between the parties, it shall be lawful for the said trustees to enter into any agreement either to take such real estate, or any part or parts of it, at a valuation, or to decline the same, or to consent to the sale of the same, or to pay or receive any sum or sums that may be agreed upon or awarded for owelty of partition, in like manner, and with the same power and effect, as the testator if living could have done in respect to the premises; and the said trustees are hereby authorized and empowered, to execute any and every deeds and other instruments, and to do and perform all such acts and things in respect to the premises as may be needful and proper, to render their proceedings in the premises complete and effectual.

Purchases ratified.

SECTION 4. All purchases of real estate heretofore made by the said trustees are hereby ratified and confirmed, and the same shall be taken to be good and valid as if made under a previous authority.

Uses and trusts.

SECTION 5. All real estate heretofore purchased by the said trustees for the purpose of the said estate, and all real estate that may hereafter be purchased or acquired by them under the authority of this act, shall

be held by them upon the uses and trusts, and for the same purposes, and with the same and like powers and authorities, in all respects, as are mentioned and declared, given and conferred, in and by the said last will and testament of the said William M. Camac, in respect to the real estate, situate in this commonwealth, held by the testator at the date of the said will.

SECTION 6. The powers and authorities given by this act to the trustees aforesaid, shall extend to and exist in, and may be exercised by the successors of the said trustees in the said trusts.

SECTION 7. The said trustees, or their successors, before they proceed to the performance of their duties, shall give bond to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the use of all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, in such sum, and with such security, as the orphans' court of Philadelphia county may direct and approve, with condition for the faithful discharge of all the duties enjoined by the provisions of this act.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM P. WILCOX,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 89.

AN ACT

Requiring the supervisors of the highways of Quincy township, in the county of Franklin, to give bail.

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 the supervisors of highways of the township of Quincy, in the county of Franklin, who shall hereafter be elected or appointed, shall respectively give bonds in a penalty of double the amount of their respective duplicates of road taxes assessed, with one or more sufficient sureties to be approved by the auditors of said township; which bonds shall be taken in the name of and to the use of said township, and deposited with said auditors, and shall be conditioned for the faithful collection and application of said taxes, and the discharge of all their duties according to law.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM P. WILCOX,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.

FRS. R. SHUNK.