

No. 321.

AN ACT

To legalize and confirm the title to a certain tract of land in Somerset county, and for other purposes.

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 title of William H. Postlethwaite, in and to a certain piece or parcel of land, situate in Somerset township, Somerset county, containing sixteen acres, more or less, adjoining lands of William G. Elder's heirs, Isaac Ankeny, George Shaver, N. M. Bruce and others, sold as the property of Michael M'Gauran, by the sheriff of Somerset county, and conveyed by him to the said William H. Postlethwaite, by deed, bearing date September seventh, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, be and the same is hereby confirmed, as fully and effectually as if John Mensor had joined with his wife, Isabella Mensor, in a certain deed, dated July , one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, by which deed she conveyed, or intended to convey, all her right, title, interest, property, claim or demand, of, in and to the said piece or parcel of land, unto Michael M'Gauran, his heirs and assigns, in fee.

Title of Wm. H. Postlethwaite confirmed.

Certain titles confirmed in the purchasers of real estate of Christian Ley, deceased.

SECTION 2. That the sales heretofore made of any portion of the real estate of Christian Ley, late of Lebanon county, deceased, under the provisions of an act of the general assembly of this commonwealth, entitled "An Act granting certain powers to the authorities of the cities of Lancaster and Philadelphia, and for other purposes," approved the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, shall, after the same shall have been approved by the orphans' court of Lebanon county, be valid, firm and effectual, and shall vest in the purchaser or purchasers, the same estate which the said Christian Ley, deceased, had and held in the same in his lifetime; and that Augustine Holmes, administrator *de bonis non* of Christian Ley, deceased, is hereby authorized and empowered to sell, at public or private sale, the real estate of the said Christian Ley, deceased, situate in the counties of Schuylkill, Dauphin, Clearfield and Northumberland, remaining unsold, under the provisions of the aforesaid act of the sixteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight: *Provided*, That the said Augustine Holmes, shall report said sale or sales to the orphans' court of the county in which the real estate so sold is situated, and shall give security for the faithful application of the proceeds of such sale or sales; which report of sale or sales, and the security given as aforesaid, shall be approved by the said orphans' court, before any deed or deeds of conveyance shall be executed for the same; and such conveyance or conveyances made as aforesaid, shall vest in the purchaser or purchasers, the same estate in such real estate as the said Christian Ley, deceased, had and held in the same in his lifetime.

Balance of estate, directed to be sold.

Security.

James C. Kerr, appointed a committee of the person and estate of Mary Watson, a lunatic.

SECTION 3. The court of common pleas of Washington county are hereby required, upon the application of James C. Kerr and Jane, his wife, the residuary legatees of Esther Gibson, late of Washington county, to appoint said James C. Kerr, of Armstrong county, a committee of the person and estate of Mary Watson, a lunatic, mother of

said Jane Kerr; and the said court are further required to cause the present committee of the person and estate of said Mary Watson, to settle his account, and pay over to the said James C. Kerr, any moneys in his hands, and surrender to the said James C. Kerr the person of the said lunatic, Mary Watson; and the orphans' court of Washington county are required hereby to cause the administrators, with the will annexed, of said Esther Gibson, to settle their account of the administration of said estate, and to pay over to the said James C. Kerr, any moneys in their hands, forthwith, and to deliver over to him all bonds, notes and judgments, and other evidence of debt, which they may have in their possession in relation to said estate; and that they be dismissed from any further execution of said trust, under the last will and testament of said Esther Gibson; *Provided*, That before the appointment of said James C. Kerr, as such committee, he shall give bond, with at least three sufficient sureties, to be approved by said court, in a sum at least double the amount of all the estate which is likely to come into his hands, by virtue of his appointment, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties as such committee, and for the faithful application of all the estate coming into his hands as such committee, according to the terms of the last will and testament of said Esther Gibson: *And provided further*, That it shall be lawful for said James C. Kerr, by and with the consent of the court of common pleas of Armstrong county, to place said lunatic in a proper lunatic asylum.

Former committee and administrators, to settle their accounts.

Proviso.

Sureties.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL L. SHERWOOD,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 322.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor, in the county of Erie," approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine.

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 if any man shall separate himself from his wife, without reasonable cause, or shall desert his children; or if any woman shall desert her children, leaving them a charge upon the county, in any such case it shall be lawful for any two magistrates of the county, upon complaint made by the directors of the poor of the county of Erie, to issue their warrant to such directors therein, authorizing them to take and seize so much of the goods and chattels, and receive so much of the rents and

Duty of magistrates in cases of deserted children, by their parent.