

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

owners all the remedies given to the Pennsylvania railroad company by the section hereinbefore referred to.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

No. 314.

AN ACT

To confirm the title to certain Real Estate in the City of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, By indenture dated the eighteenth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and forty-five, Mathias Keen did grant and convey unto Gunning Bedford, certain real estate set forth in the said indenture as follows: A certain lot or piece of ground situate in the said city containing in breadth east and west, eighteen feet, and in length seventy-seven foot, bounded northward with a certain new street called Lombard street, eastward with Mary Hides' lot, southward with the Proprietaries' ground, and westward with other ground of the said Joseph Wharton, together with the free use and privileges of two feet of ground by thirty-two foot, to be added to one foot of the eighteen feet aforesaid next Lombard street for a three foot alley, for the common use and service of the next adjacent lots of the parties to the same indenture, with ingress, egress and regress in, by and through the same alley, and in, by and through Lombard street aforesaid, together with the appurtenances as by reference to the said indenture will fully appear.

Whereas, The said Gunning Bedford erected upon the said lot or piece of ground a certain three story brick messuage or tenement, which he occupied down to the time of his death, and by last will and testament dated October ninth, Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and of record in the office of the register of wills for the city and county of Philadelphia, devised the said premises to his son Gunning Bedford, his heirs and assigns, he paying or securing to be paid certain sums of money unto his brother and sisters, whom he settled with and paid, and from whom he procured releases in full of the said moneys, and thus became owner of the said premises, and so continued without molestation as long as he lived, which releases are mislaid or lost and cannot now be found, in consequence of which Henrietta Jane Bedford, the only surviving child of Gunning Bedford, last mentioned, who departed this life in one thousand eight hundred and twelve, finds difficulty

in selling and disposing of the said premises, as persons have refused to accept the title by reason of the said releases or evidences of payment not being produced; 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 the title of Henrietta Jane Bedford, her heirs and assigns to the lot or piece of ground with the three story brick messuage, a tenement thereon erected, situate on the south side of Lombard street, between Delaware Third and Fourth streets, in the city of Philadelphia, containing in front or breadth on the said Lombard street eighteen feet, and in length or depth seventy-seven feet, above described and set forth, and of all and every person or persons claiming or to claim under her by purchase, device, descent or otherwise to the said premises, together with the appurtenances, be and the same is hereby confirmed and made valid, and the title to the same is vested in the said Henrietta Jane Bedford, in fee simple, as fully and absolutely and to the same extent and effect to all intents and purposes, as though the releases executed by all the persons entitled to payment from Gunning Bedford, under the last will and testament of his father Gunning Bedford, were duly recorded in the office for recording deeds, et cetera, for the city and county of Philadelphia, or the said moneys were not under the said will to have been paid at all.

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AN ACT

To facilitate the Collection of Ground Rents.

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 in all actions hereafter brought for the recovery of ground rent in the city and county of Philadelphia, judgment may be entered as in cases in suits upon mortgages in said county: *Provided,* The plaintiff shall file a statement of the recording of the deed or deeds and assignments (if there should be any assignment or