

the said Schuylkill Fourth, (or Nineteenth street,) seventy-eight feet and in length or depth on the said Lombard street, one hundred and ninety-eight feet, and the other of them situate at the south east corner of Schuylkill Third, (now Twentieth street,) and the said Lombard street in the said city of Philadelphia, containing in front or breadth on the said Schuylkill Third (or Twentieth street,) seventy-eight feet, and extending thence in length or breadth on the said Lombard street, one hundred and ninety-eight feet, which said two lots of ground Henry M'Ilvaine and wife, by indenture dated the twenty-first day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, (recorded in deed book G. S., number twenty-eight, page eighty-five, et cetera,) granted and conveyed unto Eli Beaty, cashier of the Hagerstown Bank of Hagerstown, in the State of Maryland, his heirs and assigns, but the said Eli Beaty may make as good and valid a title in fee simple, to the said lots of ground and to either of them, to any purchaser or purchasers of the same, as if such statutes, acts and laws had not existed, and free and clear of any demand, right, title or interest on the part of this Commonwealth: *Provided however*, That, nothing in this act contained shall be deemed or taken to confer upon the said Eli Beaty any greater right, title or interest in the premises or any part thereof, as against any person or any corporation for whom he may be a trustee, than he may possess at the passage of this act.

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. 322.

A N A C T

For the Relief of Catharine Hubler and Catharine M'Intyre, widows of old soldiers of the Revolutionary war.

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 State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and required to pay to Catharine Hubler, of Mercer county, the widow of John Hubler, a soldier of the Revolutionary war, a gratuity of forty dollars, and an annuity of forty dollars, annually thereafter, during the term of her natural life, payable half yearly, commencing on the first day of July next, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

SECTION 2. That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and required to pay to Catharine M'Intyre, of Westmoreland county, the widow of John M'Intyre, a soldier of the Revolutionary war, a gratuity of forty dollars, and an annuity of forty dollars annually during the term of her natural life, payable half yearly, commencing on the first day of July next, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

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No 323.

AN ACT

Relative to Land Patents in this Commonwealth.

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 so much of the act of March eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, being the fourth section of said act, as declares that all patents granted by the Commonwealth, do pass and vest the entire estate of the Commonwealth to and in the patentees, free and clear of all liens, incumbrances and claims of the Commonwealth whatsoever, prior to the date of the respective patents, except for arrearages of purchase money, shall not be taken or construed to interfere with the rights of actual settlers, or to extend to lands that may have been escheated to the Commonwealth: and it is hereby declared, that the pre-emption right of actual settlers under existing laws of this Commonwealth, or under any law or laws that may have been repealed by the said fourth section herein referred to, shall in no wise be impaired in any suit of law now pending, or hereafter to be instituted by patentees on patents issued since the passage of the said fourth section.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

WM. BIGLER.