

John Mitchell, Esquire, in Addison township aforesaid ; any law or laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*
of the Senate.

APPROVED—the seventh day of January. in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

CHAPTER V.

An ACT to quiet the claim of James Gunn, to the estates, real and personal, of General James Gunn, deceased.

WHEREAS, it is represented to the legislature, that general James Gunn, late a senator of the United States from the state of Georgia, died without issue, and, as it is supposed, testate, seized and possessed of certain estates, real, personal and mixed, within this commonwealth ; and it has been suggested, that the said estates have escheated for want of heirs, or any known kindred of the said general James Gunn : And whereas, it is recited in an act of the General Assembly of the state of Georgia, entitled

entitled "An act to quiet the claim of James Gunn to the estates, real and personal, of general James Gunn, deceased," passed on the twenty-second day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and two, that "it appeared from the strongest presumptive testimony, that the said general James Gunn left a will and testament, but that the same has been lost or destroyed, so that there is no probability of its being found; and that it also appeared to have been the wish, desire, and intention of the said general James Gunn, that his nephew James Gunn, of the state of Virginia, should inherit, possess, and enjoy his estate, real and personal." And whereas, the justice and liberality of the state will not permit any pecuniary advantage to be derived from an escheat, under such circumstances: 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 all and every the right, title, interest, claim and demand, which this commonwealth may have acquired, by reason of any escheat, or supposed escheat, for want of heirs, or known kindred of general James Gunn, late of the state of Georgia, deceased, of, into, and out of the estates, real, personal and mixed, whereof the said general James Gunn died seized and possessed, or whereunto he was in any wise legally entitled within this state, or any part thereof, shall be, and the same hereby are vested in James Gunn, of the state of Virginia, nephew of the said general James Gunn, to be had and held by him, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, for ever; subject nevertheless to the satisfaction

The claim of the commonwealth to the estate of general Gunn, by reason of a supposed escheat; vested in his nephew, James Gunn, of Virginia.

tisfaction and payment of all just liens, debts claims and demands whatsoever.

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CHAPTER VI.

An ACT authorising Elizabeth Shiner, Christian Shiner and John Neyman, administrators of Christophel Shiner, deceased, to convey a certain messuage and tract of land; situate in New-Hanover township, in the county of Montgomery.

WHEREAS Elizabeth Shiner, Christian Shiner and John Neyman, administrators of Christophel Shiner, late of Colebrookdale township, in the county of Berks, deceased, by their petition to the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, have set forth that Melchior Shiner, late of New-Hanover township, in the county of (then Philadelphia, now) Montgomery, deceased, at the time of his decease, being possessed and seized in his demesne, as of fee in and to a certain messuage, tenement, and tract, or piece of land, situate in the township
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