to his or their lawful attorney, on warrants to be drawn by the Governor on the State-treasurer, which annuity shall be expended by the said Francis McClure, his executor or executors, administrator or administrators, or his or their lawful attorney in providing clothing, diet and lodging, for the said Gaspar Driver, and it shall and hereby is made the duty of the said Francis McClure, his executor or executors, administrator or administrators, or his or their attorney, to make an annual return to the orphans' court of Allegheny county, on oath or affirmation, how and in what manner he or they have executed the trust in him or them confided by this act.

SIMON SNYDER, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, Speaker of the Senate.

Approved—the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven.

THOMAS MIKEAN.

## CHAPTER XLIV.

An ACT to enable Abraham Reist and Jacob Hostetter to sell and convey a certain lot of ground therein mentioned.

THEREAS it is represented to the legislature, that John Metzler, late of the town of Manheim in the county of Lancaster, lately died intestate, seized in his demesne as of fee at the time of his death, of and in a certain lot or piece of ground, situate, lying, and being in the said town of Manheim, containing in front on Prussian-street, fifty-seven feet, and in depth to Wolf-street, two hundred and seventy feet, bounded on the south by a lot of Samuel Ensminger, on the east by Wolf-street, on the north by High-street, and on the west by Prussian-street, on which lot of ground a small brick barn is erected: That the said John Metzler left a widow named Elizabeth, and issue four children, viz. Jacob, John, Elizabeth and Ann, who are all minors: That the said lot of ground will not admit of a division among the said widow and children; that it is unproductive and going to decay for want of necessary repairs, and that it would be for the interest of the family of the said intestate, if the administrators were enabled by law to sell and convey the said lot of ground, with the appurtenance, and to apply the proceeds thereof for the benefit of the widow and the maintenance and education of the said minor children; Therefore,

SECTION I. 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 Abraham The admin-Reist and Jacob Hostetter, administrators of all and singular, istrators of the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of John John Met-Metzler, late of the town of Manheim in the county of Lancas- powered to ter, deceased, be, and they are hereby authorized to sell at pub- sell at public lic vendue, to the best and highest bidder, and for the best and vendue, a highest price which shall be bidden for the same, all that lot of lot of ground ground in the town of Manhaim, with the apparence herein in the town ground in the town of Manheim, with the appurtenance herein of Manheim before particularly described and set forth, late the estate of the in the counsaid John Metzler, deceased, and for such estate and interest as ty of Lancasthe said John Metzler had and held therein, at the time of his property of decease, and on the payment of the purchase-money therefor to said Metconvey the same to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, as fully aler. and amply as the said John Metzler might or could have done in his life-time: And upon receipt of the said purchase-money, How the the said administrators shall vest one third part thereof in some purchase money is to productive fund, either by mortgage, or in the purchase of stock, be disposed and shall apply the interest thereof to the use of the said widow of during her natural life, and upon her decease shall distribute the said one third part to and among the said children, or their legal representatives, according to the course of distribution under the intestate laws of this commonwealth: and the said administrators shall apply the remaining two third parts of the said purchase-money, either by vesting the same at interest as aforesaid, or may otherwise expend the same as may be most expedient and most beneficial for the purpose of maintaining and educating the said minor children, and shall distribute the surplus according to the course aforesaid: And the said administrators shall Administrasettle their accounts of the expenditure and appropriation of the tors to settle said purchase-money before the Register and Orphans' court of their acthe county of Lancaster, and shall be subject to the like orders the Register of the said court touching the same, as if the same had been and Orphans' of the said court touching the same, as it the said John Metzler, court of Lan-personal estate at the time of the death of the said John Metzler, caster counexcept as to the objects and the mode of expenditure thereof as ity. is authorized by this act : Provided nevertheless, That before the To give bond said administrators proceed to execute the duties herein intrusted and sureties. to them, they shall 'enter into bond with sufficient sureties to the Register of Wills, &c. of Lancaster county for their faithful performance thereof,

SIMON SNYDER, Speaker of the House of Representatives. P. C. LANE, Speaker of the Senate.

Approved—the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seven.

THOMAS M'KEAN.