

Dec. Ses. 1821. Thomas Worthington, deceased, described in said deeds, together with the deed executed to and in favor of the said Thomas Deye Worthington, be, and the same are hereby declared to be valid and effectual in law, to convey unto the grantees in said deeds mentioned respectively, and to their heirs, the lands and premises intended to be thereby conveyed, as fully and amply to all intents and purposes as if the said Thomas Deye Worthington had been capable of joining in and had been a party grantor to said deeds, and thereby conveyed his undivided interest in said lands and premises; and that said grantees and their heirs shall hold the same forever discharged, freed, exonerated, of and from all claim of the said Thomas Deye Worthington, his heirs or assigns, for said undivided interest, or of any other person or persons whatsoever claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, by, from or under him, them or any of them:

Proviso. *Provided always*, that nothing in this act, or the deeds executed as aforesaid contained, shall be construed to alter or change the title which the said grantees and Thomas Deye Worthington had in said lands as heirs at law of the said Thomas Worthington, deceased, but shall only enable the said grantees and Thomas Deye Worthington to hold in severalty the lands conveyed to them as aforesaid, in the same manner and by the same title as if the lands of said Thomas Worthington, deceased, had been divided among his heirs according to law, and the portions now conveyed to said heirs respectively had been allotted to them in such division.

Other deeds to be valid.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the two deeds executed and dated on the said fourteenth day of January, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-two, by the said John Worthington, Noah Worthington, Rezin H. Worthington, Henry Fite and Mary his wife, to and in favor of the said Marcella Worthington, for certain lands in Baltimore county, called Swingle's Place, containing six hundred acres, more or less, and for certain other lands in Anne Arundel county, called Shipley's Adventure, containing two hundred and twenty-two acres, more or less, be valid and effectual in law to vest the said Marcella Worthington with a life estate in the lands so granted to her in lieu of her dower in the real estate of the said Thomas Worthington, according to the purport, true intent and meaning of the said last mentioned deeds, as fully and as amply as if the said Thomas Deye Worthington had been capable of joining in said deeds, and had conveyed his undivided interest in said lands to the said Marcella Worthington, for term aforesaid.

CHAPTER 211.

Passed Feb 22, 1822. *An act for the benefit of Nathaniel Wattles, of the town of Alexandria, District of Columbia.*

§41. 50 cts to be levied BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the levy court of Charles county, be and they are hereby authorised and required to levy on the assessable property of said county, the sum of forty-one dollars and fifty cents; which money, when levied and collected, shall be paid over to Nathaniel Wattles, of the town of Alexandria, District of Columbia, as a compensation for one hog-head of tobacco, which was sold by the inspector of Pomonkey ware-house in said county.