

every kind of property, real, personal and mixed, now in her possession, in as full and ample a manner, as if she were and always had been a feme sole, and she is hereby declared capable to have, hold, take and receive, sue for and recover by compromise, suit or suits, in law or equity, property of any kind whatever, real, personal or mixed, in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and to use and enjoy or dispose of the same, at her will and pleasure, and may in her own name sue and be sued, as if she were a feme sole.

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3. *And be it enacted*, That the said John Whitely shall not be liable for any debts to be hereafter contracted by the said Rebecca Whitely.

Debts.

CHAPTER 162.

An act empowering the Levy Court of Harford County, in their discretion to build a Bridge over Deer Creek, in said county.

Passed Feb. 24, 1825.
Preamble.

Whereas, It has been represented by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harford county, that a bridge is necessary and ought to be erected across Deer Creek, at William Clark's ford;—Therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall be lawful for the levy court of Harford county, to levy upon the assessable property of said county, a sum of money not exceeding four hundred dollars, for the purpose of erecting a bridge across Deer Creek at William Clark's ford, if they in their judgment shall deem a bridge necessary, and that it is expedient to erect the same, and in case the said levy court shall deem it expedient to build said bridge, they shall appoint commissioners to fix upon a site for erecting the same, at or near the aforesaid William Clark's Ford, and the said court shall also contract with some person or persons for erecting of said bridge, by offering the building of said bridge to the lowest bidder, first giving notice in the Bond of Union for three successive weeks, of the day they will receive proposals, who shall give bond and security to the said court for building the same in a good and substantial manner, and for a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars.

Levy \$400—proceedings directed.

CHAPTER 163.

An act to provide for the prompt settlement and final close of the concerns of the Bank of Caroline.

Passed Feb. 24, 1825.
Directors authorised to secure debts.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the president and directors for the time being, of the bank of Caroline, be, and they are hereby authorised to secure any debt due to the said bank, by taking mortgage, judgment or such other security as they may think proper, upon such terms and conditions as they may deem compatible with the interests of the stockholders.

To buy stock

2. *And be it enacted*, That the said president and directors shall have full power and authority to purchase in behalf of the stockholders of said bank, all the right, title, claim, interest and demand of any stockholder in the said capital stock, and to receive such transfer as may be necessary for securing the benefit of such purchase to the remaining stockholders, and to make payment for any stock so purchased with any part of the funds, debts or other property of said bank.