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effect and operation in law as if the said Johnson Simpvers had been duly qualified as a justice of the peace of the state of Maryland, in and for Cecil county, according to the laws of the said state.

CHAPTER 186.

Passed Feb. 25, 1825.
Control and liability annulled.

An act to divorce Mary M'Daniel of Washington county, and her husband Richard M'Daniel.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the interest, authority, power and control of Richard M'Daniel, in, over and to the person or property of Mary M'Daniel, his wife, shall henceforth cease and determine, and the said Richard M'Daniel shall not be liable for any debts hereafter contracted by the said Mary M'Daniel, and the said Mary M'Daniel is hereby deprived of all claim to any interest or claim in or to the property of the said Richard M'Daniel.

Rights confirmed.

2. *And be it enacted,* That the said Mary M'Daniel shall be and she is hereby declared capable to have, hold, take, receive, sue for and recover, by compromise, suit or suits in law or equity, property of any kind, whether real, personal or mixed, in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and to hold, use and enjoy the same for her own use and benefit, and the same to dispose of according to her will and pleasure, without the let, hindrance, molestation, interference or consent of her husband, in as full and ample a manner as if she were a feme sole, and may in her own name, sue and be sued at law and in equity, in the same manner as if she were a feme sole.

CHAPTER 187.

Passed Feb. 26, 1825.

An act, relative to the assessment of taxes on certain lands, lying in vicinity of Annapolis.

Western precincts defined.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, the western precincts to the city of Annapolis shall be known and considered within the following metes and bounds, that is to say, bounded on the north west by Dorséy's creek, at or near the head thereof, with a line drawn south eastwardly to the mouth, (on the north east side) of a cove of the Spaw creek, commonly called Actors or the old womans cove.

Authority to lay off, and when laid off recognized.

2. *And be it enacted,* That the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common council of the city of Annapolis, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to cause the said line as is hereby designated, to be laid off in conjunction with the owner or owners thereof, through whose land said line or lines may run, and when so established, shall be considered the bounds of the precincts of the city of Annapolis, westward of the original survey of said city, laid off into streets, lanes and alleys.

Authority over—exception.

3. *And be it enacted,* That the said precincts to be laid off by virtue of this act, shall in all respects be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested in or to be vested by law in the mayor, recorder, aldermen and common council of the city of Annapolis, and shall be considered as the western precincts of the said city of Annapolis; *Provided nevertheless,* that no part of the city tax shall be imposed on any land within the said precincts, until one dwelling house to an acre be built thereon, that is to say,

Proviso.