Session Thousand Six hundred & ninety Seven made his Last will and Laws Testament in writeing and among other things therein Contained made the following Devise, Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Jane Doyne to her and to her heirs of her Body Lawfully Begotten for Ever three hundred and Sixteen acres of Land being above the Head of Piscadaway Creek in the woods in Prince Georges County which I purchased of Major John Wheeler as by the said will proved and remaining in the Prerogitive Office may appear which said Tract of Land is Called Execter and in a short time thereafter Departed this Life after whose death the said Henry Wharton, Intermarried the said Jane by whom the said Henry has Issue, Two sons and Six p. 382 Daughters & whereas the said Land Devised as aforesaid is Intituled on the heirs of the Body of the said Jane and that the said Henry and his wife Cannott Sell and Dispose of the Same and that the said Land is remote from their habitation which render it Inconvenient and of Little or no Service to them and Whereas the said Henry Wharton by his Petition to this Generall Assembly has set forth that he is possest of a Tract of Rich fine Land in St Marvs County his now Dwelling Plantation Called Notly Hall Alias Mannahoick Neck Containing Six hundred Acres and that for the payment of his Creditors will be obliged to sell part of his said Dwelling Plantation which will be a greater prejudice to the heirs of the Body of the said Jane than if the aforesaid Entailed Land Were to be sold and that he is willing to Entaile an Equall Quantity of the aforesaid Tract of Land Called Notley Hall Alias Mannahoick Neck on the Heirs of the said Jane in the Same Mannor as Devised by the said Will and whereas the truth of the Premisses is Sufficiently made appear to this Present Generall Assembly it is therefore prayed that it may be Enacted And be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Propry by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordships Governour & the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly & the Authority of the Same that the said Henry Wharton and his wife Jane be hereby Invested with an Absolute Estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple to them & their heirs for ever in the said Tract of Land Called Exeter and be thereby Enabled to Convey an absolute Estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple thereof to any purchaser or purchasers their heirs and Assigns & that the same by virtue hereof be and remain in absolute Estate of Inher-

itance to the purchaser or purchasers their heirs and Assigns in as full & ample manner as if the said Lands had been Devised to the said Jane & her heirs for Ever by the will of the said Joshua Doyne the Devisor without any Limitation of Estate therein, Provided that the said Henry Wharton and Jane his wife do and shall within three months after the End of this present session of Assembly make and Execute sufficient Deeds & Conveyances in Law with Generall Warranty for the Conveying and Settling three hundred Sixteen Acres of the said Land Called Notley Hall Alias Mannahoick Neck