

CHAP. CXVIII.

An Act to restore to credit Matthews Davis, of Moore county.

BE it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act, Matthews Davis, of the county of Moore, shall be pardoned and restored to credit, in as full and ample a manner as if he had never been convicted of any crime of what kind or nature soever, and that he shall be as competent witness to depose and testify, in all cases and in every court of record where the same may be necessary, in as full and ample a manner as though he had never sustained any injury from any conviction of crimes; any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CXIX.

An Act to alter the names and legitimate Welcome and Silas Hallet.

WHEREAS it is the desire of Elias Hoell and Delilah his wife, that the names of their children Welcome Hallet and Silas Hallet, should be altered to that of Welcome Hoell and Silas Hoell, and that the said Welcome and Silas be legitimate, and be made capable to inherit, in the same manner as if they had been born in wedlock:

BE it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act, the names of the said Welcome Hallet and Silas Hallet, shall be altered to that of Welcome Hoell and Silas Hoell, by which names they shall forever hereafter be called and known, and by those names be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity whatever.

II. And be it further enacted, That the said Welcome and Silas be, and they are hereby legitimated and made capable to take, inherit and claim any estate, real or personal, which may be devised or descend to them, or either of them, in as full and ample a manner as if they had been lawfully begotten, and in all respects placed in the same situation with their other children who were born in wedlock; any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CXX.

An Act to alter the names of the persons therein mentioned, and to legitimate a part thereof.

BE it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the name of Gray Briggs Onais, be altered to the name of Gray Briggs Price; the names of Joseph Baker and James Baker, be altered to the names of Joseph White, and James White; that the names of Simeon Upchurch, Benjamin Upchurch, Jabel Upchurch, Winitred Upchurch, Churchwell Upchurch and Jephth Worley, be altered to the names of Simeon Carpenter, Benjamin Carpenter, Jabel Carpenter, Winitred Carpenter, Churchwell Carpenter and Jephth Harris; the name of Elvey Smith, be altered to the name of Elvey Lewis; that the names of Benjamin Bunn, Kizziah Bunn and Kerenhappouch Bunn, be altered to the names of Benjamin Wheeler, Kizziah Wheeler and Kerenhappouch Wheeler; that the name of Pinckney Croom, be altered to the name of Pinckney Hardy; that the name of Cajah Adkison, be altered to that of Cajah Amason; that the names of Willoughby Norman, Hezekiah Norman, Caleb McCabe and Ann McCabe, be altered to the name of Willoughby Philips, Hezekiah Philips, Caleb Philips, and Ann Philips; the name of Alexander Cheinut be altered to that of Alexander Merrit; and that the names of two natural born children of Miles Jones of Camden county, be confirmed to that of Malachi Washington Jones, and Fanny Washington Jones; the name of a daughter of Benjamin Fessenden, be confirmed to that of Fanny Freeman Fessenden; that the name of a natural born son of William Atkinson, be confirmed to that of James Atkinson.

II. And be it further enacted, That the aforesaid persons shall be called and known by the names as above altered, and by such names respectively shall be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity, and shall possess and enjoy the same privileges as if they had borne the names as above altered from their nativity.

III. And be it further enacted, That Fereby Warner, wife of John Warner, and reputed daughter of William Mears, together with the persons described in the first section of this act, shall, for ever hereafter, be legitimated and made capable to possess, inherit and enjoy, by descent or otherwise, any estate real and personal, to all intents and purposes as if they had been born in lawful wedlock.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid That from and after the passing of this act, the name of Bedreadon Carraway, be altered to that of James Carraway; the name of Joel Gunter to that of Joel Tatom; the name of Elijah Barfield to that of Elijah Sheppard; that the names of John Bull and Hannah Bull, together with four of their children, Oney Cypress Bull, Lenny Bull, Jackson Bull and Elizabeth Bull, to that of John Randal, Hannah Randal, Oney Cypress Randal, Lenny Randal, Jackson Randal, and Elizabeth Randal; and the name of William Walker, jun. of Rockingham County, be altered to that of William Ephraim Walker; and the name of John Cowan, jun. of Bladen county, be altered to that of John Bradley Cowan; and the name of Sally Hopkins a natural daughter of Thomas Tison, of Pitt county be altered to that of Sally Hopkins Tison, and by these names respectively so altered, they shall possess and enjoy all such privileges as they or either of them could be entitled to, had they been so called from their nativity.

Read three times and ratified in General Assembly and day of December,
Anno Domini, 1803.

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