

IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That no Brother or Sister shall be considered to inherit immediately from his or her Brother or Sister, but every descent from a Brother or Sister shall be traced through the Parent.

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V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That every lineal Ancestor shall be capable of being heir to any of his issue, and in every case where there shall be no issue of the purchaser, his nearest lineal ancestor shall be his heir in preference to any person who would have been entitled to inherit, either by tracing his descent through such lineal ancestor, or in consequence of their being no descendant of such lineal ancestor, so that the Father shall be preferred to a Brother or Sister, and a more remote lineal ancestor to any of his issue, other than a nearer lineal ancestor or his issue.

Lineal ancestor may be heir in preference to collateral persons claiming through him.

VI. *And be it further enacted and declared by the authority aforesaid,* That none of the maternal ancestors of the person from whom the descent is to be traced, nor any of their descendants shall be capable of inheriting until all his paternal ancestors and their descendants shall have failed, and also that no female paternal ancestor of such person, nor any of her descendants shall be capable of inheriting, until all his male paternal ancestors and their descendants shall have failed, and that no female maternal ancestor of such person nor any of her descendants, shall be capable of inheriting until all his male maternal ancestors and their descendants shall have failed.

The male line to be preferred.

VII. *And be it further enacted and declared,* That where there shall be a failure of male paternal ancestors of the person from whom the descent is to be traced, and their descendants, the mother of his more remote male paternal ancestor, or her descendants, shall be the heir or heirs of such person, in preference to the mother of a less remote male paternal ancestor or her descendants; and when there shall be a failure of male paternal ancestors of such person and their descendants, the mother of his more remote male maternal ancestor and her descendants, shall be the heir or heirs of such person, in preference to the mother of a less remote male maternal ancestor and her descendants.

The mother of the more remote male ancestor to be preferred to the mother of the less remote male ancestor.

VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That any person related to the person from whom the descent is to be traced by the half blood, shall be capable of being his heir; and the place in which any such relation by the half blood shall stand in the order of inheritance so as to be entitled to inherit, shall be next after any relation in the same degree of the whole blood and his issue, where the common ancestor shall

Half-blood, if on the part of a male ancestor, to inherit after the whole blood of the same degree; if on the part of a female ancestor, after her.