

CHAPTER 68.

1715, ch. 47. A further additional SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an Act for Quieting Possessions, Enrolling Conveyances, and Securing the Estates of Purchasers.

Deeds confirmed.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all deeds or instruments of writing, which have been taken, executed and acknowledged, within this state, since the first day of September last, which may not have been certified by the takers of the acknowledgments of said deeds or instruments of writing, as required by the act of December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, chapter two hundred and five, be, and the same are hereby confirmed and made valid, to all intents and purposes; Provided, that in all other respects the said deeds or instruments of writing have been executed, acknowledged and recorded in conformity with the laws relating to the subject at that time in force in this state.

CHAPTER 87.

A further SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an Act relating to Free Negroes and Slaves.

See notes to the original law, 1796, ch. 67, ante page 334; and 1835, ch. 61.

Persons so situated.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall be lawful for any citizen of this state who has acquired or may hereafter acquire by marriage or bequest, or in course of distribution in another state, district or territory, any slave or slaves being slaves for life, or any person or persons who reside, or may have resided, out of the state, and who may remove, or have removed into the same, with a bona fide intention of becoming a citizen thereof, to introduce into the state any slave or slaves owned or so required* by them; Provided, the person so removing, shall within thirty days after the removal of such slave or slaves into the state, make affidavit before some justice of the peace of the county into which he or she may remove, and have the same filed in the office of the clerk of the county court of said county, of his or her intention to become a citizen of the state; And provided also, that the person so removing or acquiring, shall within the time aforesaid file with the said clerk, a list or lists of the said slave or slaves so removed, stating their ages, with an affidavit thereto attached, that the same is a true and faithful list or lists of the said slaves so removed; and that he or she hath not removed the same into the state for the purpose of sale, and that they are slaves for life; And provided also, that the sum of fifteen dollars for each slave, between the age of twelve and forty-five years of age, and the sum of five dollars for each slave above the age of forty-five, and under twelve years of age, so brought into the state,*

May introduce slaves. (*acquired)

Proviso—oath—list and record.

Payment required.