

CHAPTER 171.

Passed Mar. 21, 1867. AN ACT to authorize the Commissioners of Charles county to refund to the heirs of W. H. Williams, taxes paid in error.

Authorized to refund. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Commissioners of Tax for Charles county be and they are hereby authorized to refund to the heirs of W. H. Williams taxes paid in error.

In force. Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

CHAPTER 172.

Passed Mar. 21, 1867. AN ACT to encourage immigration to the State of Maryland.

Preamble. WHEREAS, in the altered condition of labor brought about by the adoption of the new Constitution, is involved a radical change in our system of farming, as well as in our domestic and social relations; *and whereas,* it becomes important to encourage the immigration of capitalists and laborers to our soil to provide for the wants which have thus been enacted; therefore,

Appointed Immigrant Agent. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Dr. James Higgins, of Anne Arundel county, be and he is hereby appointed Immigrant agent of the State of Maryland, and he is hereby empowered and directed to assume and execute the several duties hereinafter prescribed and devolved upon him.

Required to deliver lectures. Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That said immigrant agent shall travel through Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, and other States, or such of