

bond may be sued as aforesaid, without assignment by the constable, to the party suing.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted* That the said bond shall be returned by the constable to the justice of the peace, to whom the warrant shall be returned, to be by such justice, preserved for the use of the persons interested therein, and delivered to such other justice as may entertain any proceedings as aforesaid on such bond.

Bond to be returned to magistrate.

CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT prohibiting the use of Gill Nets, in the Potomac River, and in Patuxent River, during the period therein mentioned.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons whatsoever, to fix, set or stake out gill nets, or such like devices for the taking of herrings and shad in the Potomac river, at any place above the mouth of the river Wicomico, and in Patuxent river, from the twentieth day of March, to the twentieth day of May, in each and every year, and any person offending against the provisions of this act, shall for every day he may be guilty of such offence, be liable to the penalty of ten dollars, and a forfeiture of the net, device or instrument so used, one-half of the penalty with such net or instrument for the use of the informer, and the residue for the use of the state, to be recovered by information, and warrant before a justice of the peace in the county most contiguous to the place where the offence may be committed, who shall have full power and authority to enforce the recovery and collection of the same.

Gill nets forbid.

Penalty.

Modified by 1832, ch. 259.

CHAPTER 281.

AN ACT relating to the People of Colour in this State.

Supplements, 1832, ch. 40, 145, 296, 316; 1833, ch. 162; 1834, ch. 160, 197; 1837, ch. 275; 1838, ch. 269.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the governor and council shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the passage of this act, appoint a board of managers, consisting of three persons, who shall, at the time of their appointment, be members of the Maryland State Colonization Society, whose duty it shall be to remove from the state of Maryland, the people of colour now free, and such as shall hereafter become so, to the colony of Liberia, in Africa, or such other place or places, out of the limits of this state, as they may approve of, and the person or persons so to be removed, shall consent to go to, according to the provisions of this act, and to provide for their establishment and support as far as necessary,

Appointment of board of managers.

To remove free negroes and mulattoes.