

United States, who shall have removed, or may hereafter remove, into this state, with a bona fide intention of settling therein, and who shall have died, or may hereafter die, within one year from the time of his or her removal into this state, at any time within one year from the commencement of his, her or their guardianship, or for any such infant, if a male, at any time within one year after his arriving to the age of twenty-one years, or if a female, at any time within one year after her arriving to the age of sixteen years, to import and bring into this state any such slave or slaves, being the property of any such citizen at the time of his or her death, as also the issue of such slave or slaves born after the removal of the said testator or intestate.

The first branch of this section is re-enacted in 1823, ch. 87; 1833, ch. 87; and 1835, ch. 61.

CHAPTER 38.

AN ACT to secure the collection of the duties imposed upon Marriage Licenses.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first day of May next, it shall not be lawful for the clerk of any county within this state to issue any license of marriage to any person or persons whatsoever, except in the manner herein after directed by this act; and if any clerk of any county shall, from and after the said first day of May next, issue any license of marriage contrary to the provisions of this act, every such clerk shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars for every offence.

Clerks not to issue licenses contrary to this act, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted, That* with all convenient speed after the passage of this act, the governor and council shall cause to be printed blank marriage licenses, pursuant to the form already prescribed by law, and shall cause to be delivered a suitable number of the said forms to the respective treasurers of the western and eastern shores, before the said first day of May next, and the clerks of the several counties shall, on or before the said day, and on or before the same day in every year thereafter, make application to the treasurer of their respective shore for a sufficient number of the said blank marriage licenses, according to the quantity of licenses which may be probably necessary for the use of their respective counties, agreeably to the average of the lists returned to the treasurer for the two preceding years, and thereupon the said respective treasurers shall forthwith deliver to the several clerks of the said counties the number of blank marriage licenses which may be necessary, according to the estimate aforesaid, for the space of one year, the said treasurer for each respective shore

Licenses to be printed, &c.