

## NOVEMBER, 1812.—CHAPTER 32.

AN ACT to regulate the Fees of the Register of the Court of Chancery.  
Merged in 1826, ch. 247.

## CHAPTER 68.

\* 1786, ch. 45. A further additional SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an act to direct Descents.

Repealed by 1820, ch. 191.

## CHAPTER 76.

\* Ch. 67. A further SUPPLEMENT to an ACT passed at November session seventeen hundred and ninety-six,\* entitled, an act relating to Negroes, and to repeal the Act of Assembly therein mentioned.

See notes to the original act, ante page 334.

Preamble. WHEREAS the act of assembly to which this is a further supplement, and the supplementary acts thereto, have been found by experience to be inconvenient and oppressive to persons in this state owning slaves that reside near the lines of other states ; therefore,

Slaves may be hired out in an adjoining county of another state. SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for any citizen of this state, to hire, remove or work, any of his or her slaves, in any adjoining county of any other state, and to bring them into this state again, as often as the owner or proprietor may think proper, where the laws of the state into which said slaves may be carried do not prohibit the same, without being obliged to deliver a list of them to be recorded in the clerk's office of the county as heretofore required, and to retain and enjoy them as slaves ; *Provided,* the said slave or slaves shall not be kept out of this state longer than twelve months at any one time.

Proviso.

Slaves in adjoining state may be hired in this state. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful for any citizen of any other state, owning slaves in any county adjoining this state, to hire or work any of his or her slaves in this state, as often as the owner or proprietor may think proper, without being obliged to deliver a list of them to be recorded in the clerk's office as heretofore required, and to hold and enjoy them as slaves ; *Provided,* the said slave or slaves shall not be kept in this state longer than twelve months at any one time.

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Slaves so hired not to be entitled to freedom in consequence thereof. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That no negro or slave, that hath been or shall be hired, removed, or worked out of this state, in any adjoining county of any other state, shall be entitled to freedom on account of such removal ; *Provided,* they have not been, or shall not be kept out of this state more than twelve months at any one time as aforesaid, any thing in the act to which this is a supplement, and the supplementary acts thereto, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Proviso.