known, or generally reported to be, a pilot, before the passage of this act.

How to be recovered.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the penalties inflicted in virtue of this act shall and may be recovered, with costs, in the county court of the county where the offence may happen, by indictment.

Act to be given in charge to grand jury.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That it shall be and is hereby made the duty of the presiding judge in each county, to give this act in charge to the grand jury on the first day of the meeting of the county court, during the continuance of this act.

When act to commence. SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That the operation of this act shall commence on the first day of April, eighteen hundred and nineteen.

Repeal.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That all such parts of the act to which this is a supplement that are inconsistent with, or repugnant to, the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

## CHAPTER 111.

An Act to regulate the Clerk's Fees in the Chancery proceedings in the County Courts, and for other purposes.

SEC. 1. Is merged in 1826, ch. 247.

Criers fees.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the criers of the several county courts within this state, shall be entitled to receive two dollars per day for every day they shall attend the terms established for chancery business, to be levied, collected and paid, as other county charges.

## CHAPTER 112.

An Act to prevent the unlawful exportation of Negroes and Mulattoes, and to alter and amend the laws concerning Runaways.

Supplements are 1824, ch. 171; 1828, ch. 98.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the laws heretofore enacted for preventing the kidnapping of free negroes and mulattoes, and of transporting out of this state negroes and mulattoes entitled to their freedom after a term of years, have been found insufficient to restrain the commission of such crimes and misdemeanors; and it hath been found moreover, that servants and slaves have been seduced from the service of their masters and owners, and fraudulently removed out of this state; and that the children of free negroes and mulattoes have been kidnapped from their masters, protectors and parents, and transported to distant places and sold as slaves for life; to prevent therefore such heinous offences, and to punish them when committed,

SEC. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the publication of this act, no person shall