

act, was a *bona fide* purchaser of any slave or slaves claiming his, her or their freedom under such deeds of manumission; And provided also, that notwithstanding such deed of manumission, no slave shall be entitled to his or her freedom under the provisions of this act, who has been heretofore adjudged to be a slave by any court of law in this state.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no person shall hereafter sell or dispose of any servant or slave, who is or may be entitled to freedom after a term of years, after any particular time, or upon a contingency, to any person who is not a *bona fide* resident of this state, and who has not resided therein for the space of at least one year, next preceding such sale(a), and if any person holding any such servant or slave shall sell him or her to any person who is not a resident as aforesaid, or who shall sell such servant or slave for a term of years longer than he or she is bound to serve, such person making any of said sales shall forfeit and pay five hundred dollars for any such servant or slave so sold, to be recovered by action of debt in the county court of the county where such seller may reside, one half whereof to the use of the county in which the recovery may be had, and the other to the person who may prosecute for the same.

(a) By 1817, ch. 112, no such sale to be made to any person employed to purchase for a person not being resident; nor for a longer time than the slave is bound to serve. Persons offending herein to be indicted, and on conviction, sentenced to the penitentiary, &c.

No slave entitled to freedom after term of years, to be sold out of the state, &c.

CHAP. 15.

CHAP. XVI.

An Act to give validity to a Deed from Robert Gilla Hampton, to William Gilbert. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 443. A Private Act.

Passed Dec 23.

CHAP. XVII.

An Act to authorise Hannah A. Hayes, Guardian of the Heirs at Law of Stephen Hayes, deceased, to convey certain Lands therein mentioned, lying in Cecil County. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 444. A Private Act.

Passed Dec 23.

CHAP. XVIII.

An Act to confirm an Act passed at November Session, eighteen hundred and nine*, entitled, An act to alter and abolish all such parts of the Constitution and Form of Government as require a property qualification in Persons to be appointed or holding Offices of Profit or Trust in this State, and in Persons elected Members of the Legislature or Electors of the Senate. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 445.

Passed Dec. 23.
* Ch. 193.

1. THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said act, entitled, An act to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as require a property qualification in persons to be appointed or holding offices of profit and trust in this state, and in persons elected members of the legislature or electors of the senate, be and it is hereby confirmed and made valid to every intent and purpose therein mentioned.

Act confirmed.

CHAP. XIX.

A Supplement to an Act†, entitled, An act to authorise the drawing of a Lottery in Frederick-Town, for the purposes of paving Market-street in said Town. Lib. TH. No. 2, fol. 446.

Passed Dec 23.
† Nov. 1809, ch. 85.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Michael Baltzell, John Macpherson, Henry Steiner, Seth Clarke,

Other commissioners appointed.