

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no person shall employ his vessel as a pilot boat unless he is a licensed pilot, and follows that occupation, under the penalty of fifty dollars for every offence, to be recovered as herein before provided.

CHAP. 186.
No person to employ his vessel as a pilot boat unless he is licensed.

CHAP. CLXXXIX.

An Act authorising the Judges of the Orphans Court to bind out the Children of Free Negroes and Mulattoes. Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 408. Passed Feb 17 1819

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the judges of the orphans court of the several counties in this state, are authorised in their discretion, on information being given, or whenever it comes to their own knowledge, that there are any child or children of free negroes or mulattoes not at service or learning a trade, or employed in the service of their parents, to bind and put out such child or children to some useful trade or service, on the same terms and conditions that orphan children are now subject to be bound out, only that the term of service of a female may be extended to the age of eighteen years; and that the judges aforesaid may require as a condition in any indenture, that the said child or children shall be taught to read or write, or in lieu thereof a sum not exceeding thirty dollars shall be allowed in addition to the freedom dues required by law.

Orphans court authorised to bind out such children.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That before the said judges shall proceed to bind out any child or children of the description aforesaid, they shall cause a summons to be issued, requiring the parent or parents of such child or children to appear before the said judges on the day when it is intended to bind out such child or children, and that the said judges shall in all cases consult and gratify the inclination of the parent or parents of such child or children, in respect to their choice of a master or mistress, so far as it may seem just and reasonable.

Before binding them out to summon parents to appear, &c.

CHAP. CXC.

An Act for the benefit of the Rockville Roman Catholic Congregation. Passed Feb 17 1819 Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 409.

See 1816, ch. 61.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the Rockville Roman Catholic Congregation, that they have omitted to elect trustees of the said congregation according to the plan and regulation of the said congregation as heretofore recorded; therefore,

Preamble

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful, at any convenient time during the present year, for the aforesaid congregation to elect the trustees for the management of the concerns of the said congregation, who shall serve until Whitsun Monday, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty, when a new election shall take place in the manner heretofore prescribed by law; and on Whitsun Monday in every year for ever thereafter, an election for trustees in the said congregation shall take place; *Provided*, that if from any cause the election is in any year not made on the day aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the minister, or in the absence of a minister, for any two of the persons appointed trustees for the preceding year, to give ten days notice in writing, set up at the church door, of the time and place of holding an election for trustees, and the trustees so elected shall have all the powers and rights which they would have had if appointed as before directed.

Congregation to elect trustees.

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