

CHAP. 79.

Any corporation may subscribe for stock in the company.

31. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall and may be lawful for any corporation or body politic in the United States to become subscribers for stock in said company, in the same manner as individuals may become subscribers and stockholders therein, and transfers of stock in said company may be made by corporations or bodies politic of their stock in said company, in such manner as the said company shall and may from time to time, by their laws, direct and appoint.

CHAP. LXXX.

Passed Jan. 25 1806

An Act to prevent Free Negroes from selling any Corn, Wheat or Tobacco, without having a Licence for that purpose from a Justice of the Peace. Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 115.

See 1806, ch. 81

Preamble.

WHEREAS great inconvenience is felt in this state in consequence of free negroes receiving stolen corn, wheat and tobacco, from slaves, and selling the same as the production of their own labour; therefore,

No free negro to sell corn, &c without a certificate.

2. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first of May next, no free negro shall sell any corn, wheat or tobacco, unless, at the time of his or her so selling the said article or articles, he or she shall be possessed of a certificate, under the hand and seal of a justice of the peace of said county, that he or she is a peaceable and orderly person, and of good character, which certificate shall be of force for one year and no longer.

Penalty on free negroes so offending.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any free negro shall act contrary to the provisions of this act, the person so offending shall incur the penalty of five dollars for every such offence, one half to the informer, the other half to be applied to the use of the county, and to be recovered as other fines and forfeitures, before a justice of the peace in the county where such offence shall be committed.

Penalty on persons buying of free negroes contrary to this act.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That any person who shall purchase or receive from any free negro any corn, wheat or tobacco, contrary to the provisions of this act, shall forfeit and pay, for every offence, the sum of ten dollars, one half to the informer, the other half to be applied to the use of the county in which such offence was committed, and to be recovered and applied in the same manner as other fines and forfeitures are by this law directed to be recovered and applied.

Justices, &c. to give information.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of every justice of the peace, sheriff and constable, to give information of every violation of this act that shall come to his knowledge.

CHAP. LXXXI.

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*A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry Insolvent Debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and three.** Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 116.

*Ch. 104.

Respecting the petition of Winston Smith. See the note under 1805, ch. 104.

CHAP. LXXXII.

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An Act to restrain the evil practices of certain Persons within this State. Lib. TH. No. 1, fol. 117.

Penalty on persons mixing corn meal with wheat flour.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That if any person or persons, after the passage of this act, shall mix,