

C H A P. VII. and hath sold, and does still continue to sell, lower than any of the importers of that article, but such is the heavy and necessary expence attending the said manufactory, and difficulty of obtaining cash for his glass equal to his great and unavoidable disbursements, that it will be impracticable for him to continue that valuable undertaking without the aid of the legislature, and prayed an advance of one thousand pounds on loan from the public, to secure the payment of which in a reasonable time, he will give undoubted security, and a grant of an immunity from taxes for six years in addition to the four years given by the naturalization act: And whereas this general assembly are deeply impressed with the propriety of affording every aid and support in their power to attempts of such utility;

Governor and council to draw an order, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the governor and council be and they are hereby requested, to draw an order on Margaret Fisher, executrix of Adam Fisher, deceased, late collector of taxes in Frederick county for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-five, in favour of the said John Frederick Amelung, for the sum of five hundred pounds, payable on demand, and one other of the like tenor, and for the like sum, in favour of the said John Frederick Amelung, on Thomas Beatty, collector of taxes in said county for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-six, on the said John Frederick Amelung's giving bond to the state, with such security as shall be approved by the governor and council, for the payment of the said sums of money into the treasury in the following manner, viz. five hundred pounds in three years from the date of such bond, and the other five hundred pounds in four years from the date thereof; and on the said orders being produced by the said John Frederick Amelung, or any person on his behalf, to the said Margaret Fisher and Thomas Beatty, they shall respectively pay the same as speedily as may be, and when paid they shall respectively have credit therefor, or for so much as shall be paid, in their account with the public.

No tax shall be imposed, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That no tax shall be imposed on the said John Frederick Amelung, or his property, nor shall he be liable to pay any taxes, for the space of six years from the time when the immunity from taxes to which he is entitled under the naturalization act shall expire.

C H A P. VIII.

Passed May 26.

An ACT for the relief of David Jones and Elizabeth his wife.

Preamble.

WHEREAS David Jones and Elizabeth Jones, of Kent county, have, by their petition to this general assembly, set forth, that the said David Jones was formerly married to a certain Mary Errickson, who is since dead, sister to Elizabeth, the petitioner; that in the month of December last, the petitioners, being ignorant of the law which prohibits a man to marry his wife's sister, were married, and have since been informed that the said marriage is void, and they liable to pay a very heavy fine; and prayed that an act might pass, declaring their said marriage to be valid, and relieving them from any penalty they may have incurred by disobeying the act concerning marriages; and this general assembly, influenced by the circumstances of the said petitioners case, are disposed to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Marriage declared to be good, &c.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said marriage, had and celebrated between the said David Jones and Elizabeth, the petitioners, shall be, and it is hereby declared to be, good, valid and effectual, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and that any issue of the said marriage shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, legitimate in the same manner as if the said marriage had not been contrary to law, and the said petitioners shall be and they are hereby relieved and discharged from all the pains and penalties inflicted by the aforesaid act on persons intermarrying contrary thereto, any thing in the said act, or any other law, usage or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.