

CHAP. 147. commissioners, shall be filled by the board of county commissioners for the aforesaid county; the persons appointed to such vacancies being however hereby required, before they shall be competent to act, enter into bond, with sureties and condition, and in penalty as prescribed by the second section of this act, in regard to the commissioners herein named.

To expire in two years SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That this act, and all the privileges, franchises and rights conferred hereby, shall expire and cease to be exercised at the expiration of two years, from and after the passage of this act.

CHAPTER 147.

PASSED Jan. 30, 1840. *An act to authorise Philip A. L. Contee, to introduce into this State certain Negroes, slaves for life.*

Authority to introduce, &c. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Philip A. L. Contee, of the State of Virginia, be and he is hereby authorised to introduce into this State, from the State of Virginia, the following negroes, slaves for life, the property of the said Philip A. L. Contee, to wit: Pompey, Bill, Gray, Thornton, Henry, junior; Edmund, senior; Burtis, Abby, Hannah, Harriet, Arianna, Maria, Delilah, Hethy, Martha, Julia, Thomas, Edmund, junior; Bill Lloyd, Nace, Guy, Godfrey Landon, Lewis, Richard, Hana, senior; Hana, junior; Abby, junior; Jemima, and her child; Joan, Caroline, Nelly Morris, Nelly Craig, Nancy and Attaway; *provided*, that the said Philip A. L. Contee, shall within thirty days after the removal of said slaves, or either of them, into this State, file with the clerk of the county into which said negroes are introduced, a list or lists of the said slave or slaves so removed, stating their ages, with an affidavit thereto attached, that the same is a true and faithful list or lists of the said slave or slaves so removed, and that he the said Philip A. L. Contee, hath not removed the said slave or slaves into this State for the purpose of sale, and that each of the said negroes is a slave for life; *and provided also*, that the sum of fifteen dollars for each slave, between the ages of twelve and forty-five years; and that the sum of five dollars for each slave above the age of forty-five years, and under twelve years of age, so brought into this State, shall be paid to the clerk of the county court, at the time of giving

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