

of Washington county, bearing date the fourth day of April, eighteen hundred and twelve, and recorded in liber Y. folio one hundred and seventeen, one of the land record books of Washington county, be and the same is hereby made valid to all intents and purposes, as much so as if the same had been witnessed by two subscribing witnesses, agreeably to the act of Assembly passed at November session seventeen hundred and ninety-six, chapter sixty-seven, section twenty-nine, as said act requires, notwithstanding said deed of manumission was witnessed by one witness, contrary to the provisions of said act.

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## CHAPTER 278.

*An act for the relief of George Y. Kelso.*

Passed Mar. 13,  
1840.

WHEREAS, it appears to this General Assembly, that George Y. Kelso desires to introduce in this State two slaves therein mentioned, for the convenience of his family, who have always been and now are residents of this State—Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* Authority to introduce slaves  
That George Y. Kelso, be and he is hereby authorised to introduce into this State, two slaves for life, named Caroline Bennet and Ellen Can; *provided,* the said George Y. Kelso shall, within thirty days from the time of introducing said slaves, file with the clerk of Baltimore county court, a description of said slaves, stating their ages, with an affidavit thereto annexed, stating that the same is a true and faithful description of said slaves, and that they are not removed into this State for the purpose of sale, and that they are his slaves for life; *and provided also,* the said George Y. Kelso shall pay over to the clerk of Baltimore county court thirty dollars, for the use of the colonization society of this State. Provisoes