

tribution, shall divide and distribute the same pro rata amongst the persons, and bodies corporate, or politic, entitled to receive the same. CHAP. 114.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That such contractor or contractors, shall give bond to the State of Maryland, in a penalty, and with security, approved by the lottery commissioner, treasurer and comptroller, conditioned for the faithful performance of the contract in all respects, and particularly for the payment, at the time specified, of each instalment to be paid as aforesaid, on account of the State, or for distribution, and shall also give bond, in a penalty and with security approved as aforesaid, for the payment of all prizes in lotteries drawn in pursuance of said contract. Bond of contractor.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That in addition to the clerk now authorised by law, the commissioner of lotteries may, if it shall be deemed necessary by the contractor or contractors, employ another clerk, who shall take the oath prescribed by law for the clerk of the lottery commissioner, and shall receive an annual salary of five hundred dollars, to be paid by the contractor or contractors, and in no other mode, and either of said clerks may be authorised by the commissioner of lotteries to draw lotteries in case of the sickness or temporary absence of said commissioner. Commissioner may employ another clerk.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage. In force.

CHAPTER 114.

*AN ACT for the Relief of James Thompson, of Dorchester county, security of John Baker, free negro of said county.* Passed April 7, 1852.

WHEREAS, It appears from the petition of John Baker, free colored man of Dorchester county, that a certain negro man, slave for a term of years, named Thomas Cephus, owned by the said John Baker, was convicted for crime at the last October term of Dorchester county court, and sold out of the State by the late sheriff of said county, pursuant to the judgment of said court, according to the Act of December session, eighteen hundred and forty-five, chapter three hundred and forty, for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; *And whereas*, the said petitioner prays that the said sum,