

## CHAPTER 123.

Passed Mar. 8, 1856. AN ACT amendatory of an act entitled, an act to continue the corporate existence of the several Banking Institutions therein mentioned, passed at January session, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, chapter four hundred and forty-one, so far as relates to the Merchants' Bank of Baltimore.

Meetings.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in case at any meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Bank of Baltimore, which has been continued by the act passed at January session, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, chapter four hundred and forty-one, a majority of the Directors shall not be convened by reason of sickness or other cause, then the President of the Bank shall be authorised to stand in the place of any absent Director, and to act as such, if thereby a quorum can be had; and in case of sickness or absence of the President, and on his failing to nominate in writing a Director to act in his place, the Board shall elect from their own number a President to serve during such absence.

In force.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

## CHAPTER 124.

Passed Mar. 6, 1856. AN ACT authorising the County Commissioners of Frederick county to remove from the assessment of said county an absconding negro man, a slave for life, now assessed to Thomas J. Griffith.

[County commissioners authorised.] SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Frederick county be and they are hereby directed to remove from their assessment books a negro man who has absconded from the service of his master and now