

debts, is hereby extended from the twentieth day of October to the first day of January in each year.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect in Somerset county only, and from the date of its passage. To take effect.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That all acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed. Repealed.

CHAPTER 356.

AN ACT to prevent free negroes and slaves from having or using boats on the Potomac river. Passed March 9, 1858.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That no free person of color, or slave, shall have or use any row boat or other boat on the Potomac river or shore thereof, in Charles or Prince George's county, without, in case of a free person of color, first obtaining a license from a justice of the peace of the respective county, and in case of a slave, the special written permit of his master or owner. Free people of color or slave not to use any boat.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That no justice of the peace of either Charles or Prince George's county, shall grant any license to any free person of color of either county, to have and use any boat on the Potomac river or shore thereof, in the said counties, without a written certificate that said free person of color is of good moral character, signed by at least two respectable land holders near the place where said boat is usually had and used. Justice of the Peace not to grant license.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That at any time two or more landholders on the shore of the Potomac in either of the said counties, in writing, shall recommend the suppression of any license under the provisions of this bill, the justice of the peace who granted shall suppress the same, and notify the said person of color, who shall License may be suppressed.