

Dec. Ses. 1822
Passed Feb 13, 1823.
Former act modified.

CHAPTER 172.

An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of tobacco.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That nothing contained in the act, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of tobacco, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty one, chapter one hundred and ninety four, shall be construed to authorise the inspectors of tobacco in this state, to retain in their possession any samples they may draw under the provisions of said act, without the assent of the owners thereof or their agents.

Former acts repealed.

2. *And be it enacted,* That all such parts of the act aforesaid, which makes it the duty of the inspectors to attend once in each of the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, October and November in every year for shewing the said samples to dealers, on such days as the respective levy courts shall appoint, and which directs notice of such meetings to be published in as many newspapers in the District of Columbia and Baltimore as may be deemed necessary to give information of such meetings, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Charles & St. Mary's counties.

3. *And be it enacted,* That all such parts of the act, entitled, A further supplement to the act entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of tobacco, passed at December session, 1821, chapter 194, as are not repealed by this act, be and the same are hereby extended to Charles and St. Mary's counties, to be of full force and effect in said counties.

CHAPTER 173.

Passed Feb 21, 1823.
Preamble.

An act in favour of William Wright of Queen Ann's county.

WHEREAS, William Wright, of Queen Ann's county, by his petition hath set forth to this general assembly that he intermarried with a lady of the state of Louisiana, by whom he became entitled to a negro man named Thornton, and a negro girl named Esther, which cannot be removed from the said state of Louisiana into the state of Maryland without a law for that purpose; therefore,

Import slaves

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the said William Wright, to remove the said negro man named Thornton and negro girl Esther into this state, and to have and to hold the said negroes as slaves as fully and amply as though they had never been removed, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; *Provided,* the said William Wright shall within six months after the passage of this act, make out and deliver to the clerk of Queen Ann's county court, a list of said slaves, stating their ages, names and sexes, which list the said clerk is hereby empowered and directed to record; *and provided also,* that nothing herein contained shall be construed to allow a disposition of said slaves, except in cases of disposition by last will and testament, and dispositions by law for bona fide debts, or consequent upon intestacy in less than three years after the passage of this act.

Provisos

CHAPTER 174.

Passed Feb 21, 1823.
Preamble.

An act for the relief of Nathaniel Boggs.

WHEREAS, it has been represented to this general assembly by the petition of Nathaniel Boggs, a free mulatto, born in the state of Virginia, that he has lived in this state for some time past, and that he has been usefully employed in the boating business, *and whereas,* he