

Dec Ses. 1822 and after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful, for colonel Roger Jones, of the United States army, to bring into this state a certain negro boy named Adam, and him retain as a slave, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; *Provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorise a disposition or sale of said slave within three years after his importation aforesaid, otherwise than by bequest in a course of distribution or by operation of law, and that said slave be registered in the clerk's office of Anne-Arundel county court, within three months next after the arrival of such slave in this state.

Proviso.

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CHAPTER 143.

Passed Feb. 10, 1823. *A supplement to an act, entitled, An act incorporating into one the several acts relating to constables fees.*

Levy directed *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy courts of this state be, and they are hereby authorised and required to levy on the assessable property of their respective counties the amount of fees that the constables of the several counties are entitled to receive by the act to which this is a supplement for executing criminal business any law to the contrary notwithstanding; Provided, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to exempt any criminals from paying the cost of their arrest, if they shall be of sufficient ability to pay said cost themselves.*

Proviso.

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CHAPTER 144.

Passed Feb 17, 1823. *A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the securities of Thomas Bailey, former collector of the tax for Baltimore county.*

Commissioners of tax directed. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners of the tax for Baltimore county be, and they are hereby authorised and directed to ascertain and fix the probable amount of insolvencies that should have been allowed Thomas Bailey collector of the tax for said county, for the year eighteen hundred and five, in the same manner as if the returns had been made in time to the said commissioners, and this allowance when ascertained and fixed shall be an offsett against the claim of the levy court of Baltimore county against said Bailey and his securities.*

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CHAPTER 145.

Passed Feb. 15, 1823. *An act for the benefit of Elizabeth A. Lowndes of Prince George's County.*

Authorised. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for Elizabeth A. Lowndes of Prince George's county, to sell and dispose of any slave of which she may be possessed or entitled to, in the same manner, and with as full force and effect in law as if the said Elizabeth A. Lowndes was, at the time of selling such slave, twenty-one years of age, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.*

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CHAPTER 146.

Passed Feb 15, 1823. *A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to authorise the abutment of a bridge on the Maryland shore of the Potomac River at Harper's Ferry, and for other purposes, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty one, chapter one hundred and nineteen.*

Time allowed *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a further time of one year is hereby allowed to Catharine Wager and James Bate Wager, the persons named in the original act, to commence the*