

CHAPTER 50.

An act for the relief of Priscilla Nicholls of Montgomery County.

Dec Ses 1817.

Passed Jan 20

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Priscilla Nicholls, of Montgomery county, that at a court of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery for Baltimore county, held on the second Monday in January eighteen hundred and fourteen, a certain negro by the name of Ned, then a slave for a term of years to the said Priscilla Nicholls, and having six years to serve, was presented, indicted, and found guilty of felony, and sentenced to labour in the penitentiary for the term of seven years; that no valuation has ever been made of said negro Ned, agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases provided; Therefore,

Preamble.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the judges of Baltimore county court, at their next term, be and they are hereby required to value the said negro Ned, and that the amount be assessed and paid to the said Priscilla Nicholls, in the manner provided by law in similar cases of conviction.

Negro to be valued.

CHAPTER 51.

An act relating to Election Districts in the City of Baltimore.

Passed Jan 15

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the number and limits of election districts in the city of Baltimore shall always be the same as the wards therein.

Number of districts to be equal to wards

2. *And be it enacted,* That if this act shall be confirmed by the general assembly, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directs, that in such case this act shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid, as part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, any thing in the said constitution and form of government contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

If confirmed to be part of constitution.

CHAPTER 52.

An act to authorise the drawing of a Lottery for the benefit of Charlotte Hall School in Saint-Mary's County.

Passed Jan 10

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Francis Digges, Charles S. Smith, George D. Parnham, John Parnham, Samuel Hawkins, John Campbell, James F. Sothoron, Henderson S. Boteler, James Forrest, Thomas Blakistone, Thomas Barber, Luke W. Barber, James Somerville, John J. Brooke, Clement Dorsey, John R. Plater, Samuel Claggett, Thomas Wilkinson, and Thomas Gantt, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised to propose a scheme of a lottery for raising a sum of money not exceeding forty thousand dollars, and sell and dispose of the tickets thereof in the city of Baltimore, or any other part of this state, exclusive of any controul over the same by the corporation of the city of Baltimore, any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding; *Provided,* that the said Francis Digges, Charles S. Smith, George D. Parnham, John Parnham, Samuel Hawkins, John Campbell, James F. Sothoron, Henderson S. Boteler, James Forrest, Thomas Blakistone, Thomas Barber, Luke W. Barber, James Somerville, John J. Brooke, Clement Dorsey, John

Scheme to be proposed.