

any person carrying on commerce in Patowmack or Pocomoke rivers, the vessel owned or commanded by the person so offending, and the property on board, may be seized by process from the state whose laws are offended, in order for trial; and if any person shall fly from justice in a civil or criminal case, or shall attempt to defraud creditors, by removing his property, such person, or any property so removed, may be taken on any part of Chesapeake bay, or the rivers aforesaid, by process of the state from which such person shall fly, or property be removed; and process from the state of Virginia may be served on any part of the said rivers upon any person, or property of any person, not a citizen of Maryland, indebted to any citizen of Virginia, or charged with injury having been by him committed; and process from the state of Maryland may be served on any part of the said rivers upon any person, or property of any person, not a citizen of Virginia, indebted to a citizen of Maryland, or charged with injury having been by him committed. And in all cases of trial in pursuance of the jurisdiction settled by this compact, citizens of either state shall attend as witnesses in the other, upon a summons from any court or magistrate having jurisdiction, being served by a proper officer of the county where such citizen shall reside. Twelfth, The citizens of either state having lands in the other, shall have full liberty to transport to their own state the produce of such lands, or to remove their effects, free from any duty, tax or charge whatsoever, for the liberty to remove such produce or effects. Thirteenth, These articles shall be laid before the legislatures of Virginia and Maryland, and their approbation being obtained, shall be confirmed and ratified by a law of each state, never to be repealed or altered by either without the consent of the other: And whereas this general assembly are of opinion, that the said compact is made on just and mutual principles, for the true interest of both governments, and if executed with good faith, will perpetuate harmony, friendship and good offices, between the two states, so essential to the prosperity and happiness of their people;

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the said compact is hereby approved, confirmed and ratified, and that as soon as the said compact shall be approved, confirmed and ratified, by the general assembly of the commonwealth of Virginia, thereupon, and immediately thereafter, every article, clause, matter and thing, in the same compact contained, shall be obligatory on this state and the citizens thereof, and shall be for ever faithfully and inviolably observed and kept by this government, and all its citizens, according to the true intent and meaning of the said compact; and the faith and honour of this state is hereby solemnly pledged and engaged to the general assembly of the commonwealth of Virginia, and the government and citizens thereof, that this law shall never be repealed or altered by the legislature of this government, without the consent of the government of Virginia.

Compact approved, &c.

C H A P. II.

A Supplement to the act, entitled, * An act for founding a college on the western shore of this state, and constituting the same, together with Washington college on the eastern shore, into one university, by the name of The University of Maryland. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 589.

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* 1784, ch. 37.

WHEREAS the visitors and governors elect, and the agents for founding the college on the western shore, by their petition to this general assembly did set forth, that by the sixth section of the act for founding a college on the western shore of this state, the number of visitors and governors (of the same) that might be chosen on or before the first day of June last, if seven or more, together with the agents in the said act named, by seven on the whole agreeing, are constituted a board or quorum for certain purposes and things essentially necessary towards the founding and beginning the said college, and the carrying into speedy execution the laudable intentions of the contributors to the same, and of the legislature of this state; but that the large sum of one thousand pounds subscription being required to form a class for the election of every single visitor and governor, (being double the sum required on founding the eastern shore college,) and six weeks notice in the news-papers, after lodging the original subscription papers in the treasury of the western shore, being also requisite, before the agents could proceed to hold the elections, it hath unavoidably so happened, that notwithstanding a sufficient sum for the election of more than seven visitors and governors, (viz. upwards of nine thousand pounds,) hath for sometime past been subscribed in the different counties of this shore, upon the whole, yet it hath not been practicable for the agents to collect and deliver into the treasury the subscription papers, (especially from the distant counties,) so as to accomplish the election of seven or more visitors and governors in the time proposed by law; and pray-

Preamble.

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