

of the county, out of the limits aforesaid, be levied upon the property within those limits. Dec. Ses 1816

7. *And be it enacted,* That the five following persons, to wit: John Beall Howard, Joseph Ford, Caleb Merryman, Labon Welsh and Robert Lyon, shall be and are hereby appointed commissioners to ascertain and fix new places for holding elections in the first and fourth election districts of Baltimore county respectively, instead of the places heretofore fixed and established for that purpose in the said districts, and shall proceed in the execution of their duty, in the same manner and under the like penalties, as are prescribed in the act, entitled, An act to regulate elections, for the commissioners appointed by virtue thereof. New places to be fixed for holding elections in 1st and 4th districts in county

8. *And be it enacted,* That all acts, and parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall be, and are hereby repealed. Repeal.]

CHAPTER 210.

An act for the benefit of Persons Hiring or Renting Stoves. Passed Feb. 3

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That where any stove or stoves now are, or may hereafter be, rented or hired to any person or persons within this state, the same shall be and are hereby exempted (in the hands of the person or persons so hiring or renting the same) from all executions for debt or public taxes, and from all distress for rent due, or that may become due, from the person or persons so renting or hiring such stove or stoves; *Provided always,* that nothing in this act contained shall protect more than one stove for any one family, or any stove rented or hired for more than one year; *And provided also,* that the contract for renting or hiring such stove shall be in writing, signed by the parties to the contract, and acknowledged by them before one justice of the peace, and recorded among the records of the county where the party so renting or hiring resides, within twenty days after the making of such written contract. Hired stoves exempted from execution. Provisos.

2. *And be it enacted,* That the justices of the peace taking the acknowledgment of the parties as aforesaid, shall be entitled to six cents, and no more, as a fee therefor, and that the clerk shall be entitled to the like fees for recording the same as are now allowed by law for the recording of deeds and conveyances. Allowance to justices for taking acknowledgments.

CHAPTER 211.

An act to permit William Gibbons, a Free Man of Colour, to emigrate and remove into this State. Passed Feb. 3.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That William Gibbons, a free man of colour, now a resident of the state of Delaware, may emigrate and remove into this state, and enjoy the same privileges and immunities as if he had been emancipated in the state, provided he give bond, with good security, to the state of Maryland, in a sum to be approved by the levy court of Allegany county, that he will not become a charge to said county, and the clerk of said court is hereby directed to file said bond in his office. Wm. Gibbons authorised to remove into this state.