

CHAP. 104. has now fixed his residence in Baltimore county, owned and possessed certain slaves in Virginia, whose names are hereinafter expressed, and who at the time of his removal were hired out to persons in Virginia, so that he could not bring them with him into this state within the time prescribed by law for that purpose: And whereas the said John Patterson has petitioned this general assembly for permission to bring the said slaves from Virginia into this state, for his own use, the passage of which petition, under the circumstances aforesaid, appears to be reasonable; Therefore,

Authorised to remove slaves into the state

Proviso

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* John Patterson, of Baltimore county, be and he is hereby authorised and empowered, to remove and bring into this state from the state of Virginia, the following negro slaves: Sampson, and Lucy his wife, and their children, Lewis, Philip, Roben, Jenny, Edward, John and Welcher, and Will, Cambridge, Sarah, and her child Nancy, at any time within twelve months from the passage of this act, for the purpose of working or employing such slave or slaves within this state, in the immediate service of the said John Patterson; *Provided*, that the said John Patterson shall register the said negroes with the clerk of Baltimore county court, in the manner now required by law, within three months from the passage of this act; *And provided also*, that he shall not sell the said negroes for three years after he shall have registered them as aforesaid.

CHAP. CV.

Passed Feb 1, 1821 Preamble An Act for the relief of William H. S. Boswell, of Prince-George's County.

WHEREAS William H. S. Boswell, of Prince George's county, by his petition to this general assembly hath set forth, that in the year eighteen hundred and seventeen, he hired to Laurence Hoof, Esq. then residing in Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, a negro man named Isaac, who is now about the age of twenty-five years, and has ever since continued in the service of said Laurence Hoof, upon the terms above mentioned: And whereas this general assembly is satisfied that the above facts stated are true, and doubts are entertained whether, under the existing laws of this state, the said negro man can be brought back to this state without entitling him to his freedom; Therefore,

Authorised to bring negro into the state

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* it shall and may be lawful for the said William H. S. Boswell, his executors or administrators, at any time within twelve months after the passage of this law, to bring into this state the said negro man named Isaac, and to have and to hold the said negro man as a slave, as fully and amply as if he had never been removed from the state, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CVI.

Passed Feb 1, 1821 Preamble An Act authorising Robert W. Kent, of Anne-Arundel County, to remove certain Negroes into the State of Maryland.

Preamble

WHEREAS the said Robert W. Kent, is desirous of bringing from the state of Virginia a negro woman, and her child, the wife and son of one of his slaves, who were a few years since removed from this state to the state of Virginia, and from mo-