

- And whereas several deeds of bargain and sale have been executed prior to the passage of an act entitled an act relating to the people of color in this state, passed at December session, 1831, chapter 281, conveying certain slaves for a limited period to the bargainers therein mentioned, and after the expiration of said period, declaring said slaves free which deeds have been neither attested by two witnesses, or been recorded prior to the passage of said act whereby such slaves are deprived of the benefits intended by said deeds.

*Be it enacted*, that such deeds shall be as valid as if they had been attested according to law, and recorded prior to the passage of said act.

On motion of Mr. Pigman the said bill, together with the proposed amendments were recommitted to Messrs. Wootton, Emory, Sappington, Pigman and Dennis.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

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### THURSDAY, January 24th, 1833.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Morris from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to authorise the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to alter the width of a part of Canal, formerly Harford street, of a part of Spring street, of a part of Strawberry Alley, and to close Russell Lane, reported favorably thereon. It was read the second, and by special order the third time, and passed.

Mr. Dennis from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to authorise the levy court of Dorchester county, to appoint an additional Constable in the town of Cambridge, in said county, reported favorably thereon. It was read the second, and by special order the third time, and passed.

Mr. Wootton from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to authorise the commis-