thority of the Constitution of Maryland in Liberia adopted on the twenty second day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, and we do and each of us for himself or herself doth engage and solemnly promise that during our stay in the said territory respectively submit ourselves to the said constitution and the laws made in pursuance thereof, which Constitution and laws we acknowledge to be the laws of the land, and we do further engage and solemnly promise, that during our stay in the said territory we will conduct ourselves respectfully towards the said government and peaceably towards the citizens and inhabitants of the said territory.

And be it enacted and ordained that if any person bound by the provisions of the first section of this ordinance to sign the aforesaid engagement, shall remain in the Colony ten days without so doing it shall be the duty of the Governor to cause such person to be arrested and taken to the office of the Colonial Secretary in order to subscribe the same, and any such person refusing to submit to such arrest or to subscribe the said engagement shall be put into close confinement in such place and manner as the Governor shall direct until he or she shall either subscribe the said engagement or give security to the satisfaction of the Governor to remove from Maryland in Liberia at the first convenient opportunity and in the meantime to be of good behaviour, which security shall be in the following form that is to say:

Maryland in Liberia to wit:

We

do hereby bind ourselves to Maryland in Liberia that the above named shall depart from the territory called Maryland in Liberia at the first convenient opportunity and at farthest before the day of next unless licensed to remain longer by the Governor upon new security given and also that the said during his (or her) stay in the said territory shall be of good behaviour towards the government, citizens and inhabitants of the said territory, and shall in all respects, obey the laws of the land under the penalty of dollars to be paid by us or any of us.

Witness our hands this day of in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

And be it enacted and ordained that the blanks in the above mentioned bond shall be filled up at the discretion of the Governor and the bond shall be forfeited and the whole penalty may be recovered in case the party for whom the security is given

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