shall receive at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents for three thousand, and at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents for every three hundred persons over three thousand residing in the city of Baltimore, which said compensation shall be levied on the assessable property within the respective counties, and be collected in the same manner, and by the said collector or collectors as county charges are collected, and be by them paid over to the person entitled to receive the same: *Provided*, that the Levy Courts or Commissioners of the respective counties and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, as the case may be, may, if they deem the compensation hereby allowed inadequate, allow such further compensation as they may deem proper.

SECTION XI. *And be it enacted*, That the several sheriffs of the counties of this State shall, from time to time, make report to the said Board of Managers of such of said free people of color, in their said counties, as they shall find willing to remove from the State, stating therein the names, ages and circumstances, of such persons, and the place or places beyond the limits of this State to which they are willing to remove, and whether they are or are not able to defray the expenses of such removal; whether any such means are provided; and it shall be the duty of the said Board of Managers whenever they shall ascertain by the said reports of the said sheriffs or otherwise, that such persons of color are willing to remove from the State, to make a register of their names and ages, and take such measures as they may think necessary for their removal as soon as practicable, either to the Colony of Liberia, or to such other place or places beyond the limits of this State. which the said Board may approve of, and to which they may be willing to go, and it shall be the duty of the said Board, if there shall be offered to them more than they can send in any one year, from the different counties as aforesaid, to apportion the same among the said counties, according to the number respectively of their free people of color, as appears by the last census.

SECTION XII. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be taken or construed to extend to any slave or slaves who may be entitled to his, her, or their freedom, hereafter, by virtue of any deed of manumission executed and recorded according to law prior to the passage of this act, or last will and testament duly admitted to probate before the passage of said act, unless he, she or they, shall consent thereto.

By the House of Delegates, March 14, 1832.—This engrossed bill, the original of which passed this House the 9th day of March, 1832, was this day read and assented to.

By order: GEO. G. BREWER, *Clerk*.

By the Senate, March 14, 1832.—This engrossed bill, the original of which passed the Senate the 12th day of March, 1832, was this day read and assented to.

By order: JOS. H. NICHOLSON, *Clerk*.

[L. S.] GEO. HOWARD.

An Act to continue the State's appropriation for the benefit of African Colonization.—Chapter 202, *passed May 3rd*, 1852.

Whereas, by an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at December Session, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, chapter two hundred and eighty-one, entitled an act relating to the people of color of this State, an appropriation was made to be applied by the managers mentioned in said act, in removing emancipated slaves and free people of color to the Colony of Liberia or elsewhere out of the State, and in making preparations at said Colony or elsewhere as the said managers might think best; which would seem to them expedient for the reception, accommodation and support of the persons to be removed, until they could support themselves, and which appropriation amounting in the aggregate to two hundred thousand dollars, was assessed upon the several Counties of the State and Baltimore City, at the rate of ten thousand dollars per annum, in the proportions in the said act, as modified by the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, chapter two hundred and sixty-nine, changing the assessment of Frederick County, particularly described, and which said appropriation ceased at the end of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-one. *And whereas*, it is desirable that the said appropriation of ten thousand dollars per year, should be renewed and continued, so that the policy of the State in providing a home in Africa for the emancipated slaves and free colored population, and for their removal thither, may be maintained and carried out, Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Treasurer of the State, be and he is hereby required to pay on the warrant of the Comptroller, to the Board of Managers appointed under the act of eighteen hundered and thirty-one, chapter two hundred and eighty-one, the sum of ten thousand dollars annually, for the space of six years, commencing with the year eighteen hundred and fifty-two, in the manner in which he has heretofore paid the like amount under the act last aforesaid, to be appropriated for the purposes in the said act mentioned.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Comptroller of the State, be and he is hereby required to issue his warrants to the Treasurer, on the drafts or requisitions of the said Board of Managers, so as to authorize the payment by him of the amounts aforesaid.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the appropriation now made, shall be applied to the benefit, exclusively of persons of color, who shall have been bona fide residents of Maryland, for the space of five years next preceding their application to become emigrants.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Legislature reserves the right to repeal at any time, the appropriation now made or any part thereof.

MARYLAND, SCT:

At a Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, begun and held at the City of Annapolis on the first Wednesday of January, being the sixth day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and ended on the tenth day of March in the year aforesaid.

His Excellency, Thomas H. Hicks, Esquire, Governor, among other, the following law was enacted, to wit:

No. 425. *An Act to continue the State's Appropriation for the benefit of Colonization.*

WHEREAS, by an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, chapter two hundred and eighty-one, entitled, An Act relating to the people of color of this State, it was provided that the Governor and Council should appoint a Board of Managers consisting of three persons, members of Maryland State Colonization Society, and an annual appropriation was made to be applied by the said Board of Managers in removing emancipated slaves and free people of color to the Colony of Liberia, or elsewhere out of the United States, and in making preparations at said Colony or elsewhere, as the said Managers might think best, which should seem to them expedient for the reception, accommodation, and support of the persons to be removed, until they could support themselves, and which said appropriation ceased at the end of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-one; *And whereas*, by another Act of the General Assembly, passed at January session, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter two hundred and two, a further appropriation of ten thousand dollars per year for the space of six years, commencing with the year eighteen hundred and fifty-two, was made and the Treasurer of the State was directed to pay the same, on the warrant of the Comptroller, to the said Board of Managers appointed as aforesaid; *And whereas*, it is desirable that an appropriation should be renewed and continued, so that the policy of the State in providing a home in Africa for the emancipated slaves and free colored population may be maintained and carried on. Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Treasurer of the State be, and he is hereby required to pay, on the warrant of the Comptroller, to the Board of Managers appointed under the Act of eighteen hundred and thirty-one, chapter two hundred and eighty-one, the sum of five thousand dollars, annually, for the space of four years, commencing with the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, to be appropriated for the purposes in the said Act mentioned.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Treasurer of the State, be, and he is hereby requested to pay, on the warrant of the Comptroller, to the said Board of Managers, the further sum of seventy dollars, for each emancipated slave or free negro, male or female, above the age of ten years, and the sum of thirty-five dollars for each of such persons under the age of ten years, who shall appear by the written certificate of the said Board of Managers, filed by them in the office of the Comptroller of the State, to have been sent by them to Africa within the period of two months, immediately preceding the date of such certificate; *Provided however*, that the said payments per capita, to be made under the provisions of this section, shall not exceed in any one year the sum of five thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the appropriations now made shall be applied to the benefit exclusively of persons of color who shall have been bona fide residents of Maryland, for the space of five years next preceding their application to become emigrants.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Legislature reserves the right to repeal at any time, the appropriations now made or any part thereof.

REPORT OF EAST BALTIMORE CONFERENCE ON COLONIZATION.

The Committee on Colonization beg leave to report, that such has been the history and growing interest of this great enterprise of colonizing the colored population of the United States in the land of their fore-fathers elevating them as a race to a respectable standing among the nations of the earth, as to commend it, not only to the favorable regard of the statesman, but to the warm sympathy of every philanthropic and Christian heart.

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