

ACTS

PASSED AT A

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

COMMONWEALTH

OF

VIRGINIA.

BEGUN AND HELD AT THE CAPITOL, IN THE CITY OF RICHMOND, ON
MONDAY THE SECOND DAY OF DECEMBER, ONE THOU-
SAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIVE.



RICHMOND:

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upon Cheat river, one mile above Daniel Kyger's stone quarry, on the west fork above Edward Jackson's mill, nor on the Tyger Valley river above John Neuson's mill.

Sec. 8. All acts and parts of acts, coming within the purview of this act, shall be and the same are hereby repealed. Repealing clause

Sec. 9. This act shall commence and be in force from and after the passing thereof. Commencement.

CHAPTER XCIII.

An ACT to amend an Act for more effectually preventing Obstructions to the Passage of Fish in James River and its Navigable Branches.

[Passed February 4th, 1806.]

Section 1. *BE it enacted by the General Assembly,* That whenever hereafter the tax upon seines imposed by an act, entitled, "An act for more effectually preventing obstructions to the passage of fish in James river and its navigable branches," shall be insufficient to pay to the surveyor of the Great Falls of James river, therein directed to be appointed, the sum stipulated to be paid him by the Executive, such deficiency shall not be paid by the public, but the said surveyor shall only be entitled to receive the amounts of the said tax; and it shall not be lawful for the auditor to draw upon the treasurer for a greater sum. Fund for paying surveyor falling short not to be made good.

Sec. 2. This act shall commence and be in force from and after the passing thereof. Commencement.

CHAPTER XCIV.

An ACT concerning Free Negroes and Mulattoes.

[Passed February 4th, 1806.]

Section 1. *BE it enacted by the General Assembly,* That no free negro or mulatto shall be suffered to keep or carry any fire-lock of any kind, any military weapon, or any powder or lead, without first obtaining a license from the court of the county or corporation in which he resides, which license may at any time be withdrawn by an order of such court. Any free negro or mulatto who shall so offend, shall, on conviction before a justice of the peace, forfeit all such arms and ammunition to the use of the informer. Free negro or mulatto prohibited use of arms, &c without license from court.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every constable to give information against, and prosecute every free negro or mulatto who shall keep or carry any arms or ammunition contrary to this act. Duty of constables.

Sec. 3. If any free negro or mulatto who shall have been convicted of keeping or carrying arms or ammunition, shall a second time offend in like manner, he shall, in addition to the forfeiture aforesaid, be punished with stripes, at the discretion of the justice, not exceeding thirty-nine. Penalty for breach.

Sec. 4. This act shall commence and be in force from and after the first day of June next. Commencement.

CHAPTER XCV.

An ACT suspending an Execution against Benjamin Branch and Edward Branch, administrators of Benjamin Branch, deceased.

[Passed February 4th, 1806.]

Section 1. *BE it enacted by the General Assembly,* That the execution on a judgment amounting to two thousand five hundred and eighty-eight pounds six shillings and ten pence, and costs, obtained in the general court, at the November term, one thousand eight hundred, against Benjamin Branch and Edward Branch, administrators of Benjamin Branch, deceased, who was collector of the taxes for the county of Chesterfield for the years seventeen hundred and eighty-four, and seventeen hundred and eighty five, shall be, and the same is hereby suspended; and the said Benjamin and Edward Branch, shall be allowed and permitted to pay and discharge the amount of the said judgment by four equal annual instalments, the first of which shall commence and be made on or before the first day of January next; and so soon as the said Benjamin and Edward Branch, shall have discharged the amount of the judgment and cost into the treasury, on the days aforesaid, the damages accruing thereon, shall be, and they are hereby fully remitted. Execution vs B and E. Branch, ex-ecutors of B. Branch, suspended.

Sec. 2. This act shall commence and be in force from and after the passing thereof. Judgment to be paid by instalments.

Sec. 2. This act shall commence and be in force from and after the passing thereof. Commencement.

CHAPTER XCVI.

An ACT authorising Andrew M'Intire to Erect a Mill-dam across the mouth of Simson's Creek.

[Passed February 4th, 1806.]

Section 1. *BE it enacted by the General Assembly,* That for the purpose of working a grist mill or other machine useful to the public, it shall be lawful for Andrew M'Intire to erect a dam across the mouth of Simson's creek, in the county of Harrison: *Provided nevertheless,* That a slope at least thirty feet wide shall be carried Terms on which dam may be erected.