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☞ The following act was passed at the last session of the Legislature, and takes effect on the 1st of July next:

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the printing shall be done in pamphlet form and eight thousand copies shall be printed at the same time, for general distribution.

§ 44. The fortieth, forty-first, forty-second and forty-third sections of this act shall go into operation from the passage, and the remainder on the first day of November next.

§ 45. All persons that are now or may hereafter be in the service of the United States in time of war, by a requisition of the Governor of this State, and who have or may hereafter serve for the period of one year or more, shall be exempt from all the operations and liabilities of this law.

Approved February 11, 1847.

MORTGAGES.

AN ACT supplemental to an act entitled "An act concerning mortgages," approved March the twentieth, eighteen hundred and forty-five.

§ 1. Deeds of trust, in the nature of mortgage, may be foreclosed and sold as other mortgages.
2. *Cestui qui trust, &c.*, certain powers given, their consequences.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

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§ 2. If any *cestui que trust*, his executor or administrator, or assignee, receive full satisfaction of any such deed of trust, he may, (by himself, or by a person authorized by his written power of attorney,) acknowledge satisfaction of such deed of trust, on the margin of the record thereof; and such acknowledgment of satisfaction thus made, shall have the effect to release the premises conveyed by such deed of trust, and re-vest in the person who executed such deed of trust, or his legal representatives, all legal and equitable right, title, interest, estate, claim or demand of, in, or to such premises.

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AN ACT to amend "An act concerning free negroes and mulattoes," approved March 26, 1845.

§ 1. Licensed free negro, removing to another county, certain duties to be performed.
2. Duty of sheriff, constable, coroner and marshall.
§ 3. For failure to comply with the law on the part of negro, &c.; duty of officers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

§ 1. Whenever any free negro or mulatto, duly licensed to reside in this State, shall remove from the county in which such license is granted, to any other county in this State, he shall give bond in the county to which he shall so remove, in the manner required by the 10th section of the act to which this is an amendment, no free negro or mulatto shall be permitted to reside in any county in this State to which he shall so remove, unless such free negro or mulatto shall first give bond as above required.

§ 2. It shall be the duty of every sheriff, constable, coroner or marshal, whenever he shall know or have cause to believe that there is any free negro or mulatto in his county who has not complied with the provisions in the first section of this act, or the nineteenth section of the act to which this is an amendment, to apprehend such negro or mulatto, and take him before some justice of the peace of said county, and if it appear to such justice that such free negro or mulatto has not complied with the provisions of this act and the act to which this is an amendment, to sentence such free negro or mulatto to pay a fine of ten dollars, and to leave such county forthwith.

§ 3. If any free negro or mulatto shall fail or refuse to comply with the sentence of said justice, it shall be the duty of the sheriff, constable, or other officer, to commit him to the county jail until the sentence of the justice is complied with, or such free negro or mulatto shall consent to leave such county.

This act to take effect from and after its passage.

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