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CO-PARTNERSHIP.

THE undersigned have associated themselves in the practice of the Law, and may be found at the office of G. VICKERS, in Court St., in Chestertown. All receipts and papers signed by either will be binding on both.

GEORGE VICKERS,
JOHN O. SLAY.

Chestertown, May 4, 1867—4t.

For Sale or Rent,

THE STORE HOUSE on High Street, in Chestertown, now occupied by J. O. Dugan, with DWELLING attached; known as the "Up Town Cheap Dry Goods Store." It is one of the best stands in town for business. Apply to CHARLES WEEKS, on the premises. my4-3t.

NOTICE.

ROBERT LLOYD respectfully informs the public he is prepared to do all kinds of CARRIAGE WORK, Trimming, Painting, Repairing, and making Harness, upon the most reasonable terms, with punctuality and dispatch. Custom solicited. References—A. J. Rees, Dr. T. S. Holton, James Hadaway.

Rees' Corner, May 4, 1867—3t.

NOTICE.

AT A MEETING of the Corporators of the Still Pond and Sassafras River Wharf Co., agreeable to notice, ISAAC PARSONS was called to the chair and HENRY T. JUMP appointed Secretary.

On motion it was resolved, that Isaac Parsons, H. T. Jump, James A. Roseberry, Thomas I. Shallcross, James S. Harris and Louis Hepbron be a committee to solicit subscriptions to the capital stock of said Company.

ISSAC PARSONS, Chm'n.
H. T. JUMP, Sec'y. m4-3t.

REMEMBER,

THAT when Edw. Lambert & Geo. Lambert dissolved partnership they divided the outstanding accounts. The undersigned therefore requests all those indebted to him to come forward and make payment on or before JUNE 1st, otherwise he will be compelled to collect said bills according to law.

ma4-4t* GEO. E. LAMBERT.

NEW MILLINERY

Mrs. M. E. Stuart,

RESPECTFULLY invites the Ladies of Chestertown and vicinity to call and examine her FINE ASSORTMENT OF

MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS,

which she has just returned from the city with. Her stock comprises all the styles of the season. Do not fail to call and examine my stock before you purchase elsewhere. Call at second door below Dr. J. T. Twilley's, Main St. a20-3m.

UP TOWN
CHEAP DRY GOODS STORE.

Removal! Removal!

SELLING OFF!

THE undersigned contemplates moving in a short time to the more spacious

NEW STORE,

right on the corner of High and Kent Streets, a few doors above the present place of business, and will run off the present stock at prices without regard to cost, to save trouble of removal, comprising a general variety of DRY GOODS, LADIES' CLOAKS and CLOAKING, Cassimere, Sattinets and Clothing, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, CARPETINGS, MATTINGS, OIL CLOTHS, Glass-ware, Crockery-ware, &c., with a large variety of small ware, &c.

It is not necessary to enumerate prices here, as the goods were bought low, and a call will satisfy all that the

Goods Will be Sold!

N. B.—STORE and DWELLING for sale or Rent.

my4-3t. J. OSBORN DUGAN.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, and to me directed, at the suit of Pere L. Lynch, against the goods and chattels of Alexander H. Crew, administrator de son tort of F. D. Crew, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of the said Alex. H. Crew, of, in and to the following property:

1 HORSE, 1 DEARBORN,

AND ONE CHEST OF TOOLS.

And I hereby give notice, that on SATURDAY, the 18th day of May, between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock, P. M., at the Market House in Chestertown, I will sell the said property to the highest bidder for cash, to pay and satisfy said writ, interest and costs due and to become due thereon. WM. M. GILPIN, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Chestertown, May 4, 1867. } ts.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of Attachment, issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent county, and to me directed, at the suit of Richard E. Hays & Co., against the goods and chattles of W. A. Crafts and O. T. Bliss, trading under the name and style of D. Miller & Co., I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, claim and interest of the said W. A. Crafts and O. T. Bliss, of, in and to the following property, to wit:

A Large lot of School Books,

HYMN BOOKS, MEMORANDUM BOOKS, &c. Envelopes, assorted colors; Writing Paper and black and red Ink; Steel Pens, Lead Pencils, Playing Cards, Erasing Rubbers, Pen Holders, Cap, Letter and Note Paper, fine blotting Paper, Mucillage, lot of Music, large Photographs, black Sand, Picture Frames, 1 Bulletin Board, Writing Desk, 1 Coal Stove and Pipe, Smoking Pipes, 3 Lamps, 2 Chairs, Pitcher and Glass, Oil Can and Basin, 1 Broom and Duster, Hatchett, Magazines, &c.

And I hereby give notice, that on

SATURDAY, the 18th of May, 1867,

at the Market House, in Chestertown, I will sell the said property so seized and taken in execution, at public sale, to the highest bidders for cash to pay and satisfy said writ, interest and costs due and to become due thereon.

The sale will commence at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

WM. M. GILPIN, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Chestertown, May 4, 1867. } ts.

Ratification Notice.

On the Equity Side of the Circuit Court for Kent County.

APRIL 20th, 1867.

ORDERED that the sale made and reported by GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee for the sale of the real estate of Charles T. Dale, John Dale, Ellen Dale and William Dale, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shewn on or before the twenty-seventh day of June next; Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed on the Eastern Shore of Maryland once in each of four successive weeks, prior to the twenty-eighth day of May next. The Report states the amount of sales to be $10,984.25.

JESSE K. HINES, Clerk.

Test:—
JESSE K. HINES, Clerk.

April 27, 1867—4t.

SPECTACLES—Gold, Silver & Steel frames—for sale very low, at WILLIS', adjoining the store of T. W. Ellison & Son.

MARYLAND MILITIA ORDERS

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 3.

STATE OF MARYLAND, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, ANNAPOLIS, April 30, 1867.

In order to facilitate the organization of the Militia of this State, headquarters are temporarily established at No. 31 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md.

By command of the Governor:

JOHN S. BERRY,
my11-2t. Maj. Gen. and Adjt. Gen.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 4.

STATE OF MARYLAND, HEADQUARTERS NO. 31 CALVERT STREET, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, BALTIMORE, May 1st, 1867.

I.

For the purpose of organizing the Militia, the State of Maryland is divided into THREE MILITARY DISTRICTS.

The First District comprises the city of Baltimore.

The Second District comprises the counties of Baltimore, Harford, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, Talbot, Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester.

The Third District comprises the counties of Carroll, Frederick, Washington, Allegany, Howard, Montgomery, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Prince George's, Charles and St. Mary's.

One division of "The Maryland National Guard" will be raised in each of the above designated Military Districts.

The First Brigade of the First Division will be raised by the —— wards of Baltimore city.

The Second Brigade of the First Division will be raised by the —— wards of Baltimore city.

The First Brigade of the Second Division will be raised in the counties of Baltimore, Harford and Cecil.

The Second Brigade of the Second Division will be raised in the counties of Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, Talbot, Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester.

The First Brigade of the Third Division will be raised in the counties of Frederick, Washington and Allegany.

The Second Brigade of the Third Division will be raised in the counties of Carroll, Howard, Montgomery, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Prince George's, Charles and St. Mary's.

II.

Each ward in Baltimore city and each election district in the several counties of the State shall constitute an enrollment district, and the Inspector General will detail or appoint a suitable person or persons for each district to enrol the same, and perform such other duty connected with the organization of "The Maryland National Guard" as may be necessary.

The Inspector General will furnish to each enrolling officer a roll, in which such enrolling officer shall enter the names of all able-bodied citizens of the proper age who desire to join the "Maryland National Guard," and also a roll in which the enrolling officer shall enter the name of all able-bodied male citizens between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years who decline to join the "Maryland National Guard," and shall receive from each person so declining the sum of two dollars, and deliver to such person a proper certificate of exemption for one year.—The fact of payment or refusal to pay shall be entered on the roll by the enrolling officer opposite the name of the person making the payment, or refusing to pay; and the said enrolling officer shall at such times as the Inspector General may designate forward to him a true return of the names enrolled in both classes, and the money received, and shall notify all persons claiming exemption from military duty on account of physical disability, of the time and place in said ward or election district, at which a medical officer will be present to examine persons claiming such exemption.

III.

"The Maryland National Guard" shall consist of three Divisions, of two Brigades each; each Brigade shall consist of four Regiments, each regiment comprising ten Companies.

Each Infantry Company shall have one Captain, one First and one Second Lieutenant, one First Sergeant and four Sergeants, eight Corporals, two Musicians, and not less than thirty-two nor more than fifty privates.

Each Regiment shall have one Colonel, one Lieutenant Colonel and one Major; one Surgeon with the rank of Major; one Assistant Surgeon, one Adjutant and one Quartermaster, each with the rank of First Lieutenant; one Sergeant Major; one Quartermaster Sergeant; one Commissary Sergeant, and two principal Musicians.

Each Brigade shall have one Brigadier General, with the following staff: One Assistant Adjutant General, one Brigade Inspector, each with the rank of Major; one Quartermaster and one Commissary, each with the rank of Captain; and two Aides-de-Camp, each with the rank of First Lieutenant.

Each Division shall have one Major General, with the following staff: One Assistant Adjutant General and one Division Inspector, each with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel; one Quartermaster, one Commissary and two Aides-de-Camp, each with the rank of Major.

Attached to each Division there shall be at least one Battery of Light Artillery; each Battery to consist of not less than two, nor more than eight guns; and there shall be at least one squadron of Cavalry to each Division.

IV.

Section 11, chapter 337, acts 1867, provides that all regimental and battalion officers shall be elected by the commissioned officers of the companies composing said regiments or battalions. All general officers of brigades or divisions shall be elected by the commanding officers of the regiments comprising said brigades or divisions. Company officers shall be elected by the ballots of the members of their respective companies. The non-commissioned staff shall be appointed by the commanding officer of the respective regiments or battalions. Non-commissioned officers of companies shall be elected by the ballots of their respective companies. Warrants for non-commissioned officers shall be issued by the regimental or battalion (or independent company) commander; provided that no person shall be elected or appointed an officer under this act who is not a native of this State, or has been a resident of the same, five years prior to said appointment or election.

All applicatsons for arms shall be made thro' this office; and, the Commander-in-Chief approving, requisitions will be issued on the Inspector General, who will furnish them.

V.

So far as the same are applicable, the "Revised Regulations" of the "United States Army" will be observed by the militia; and the system of drill for infantry is that prescribed by "Casey's Infantry Tactics."

VI.

Section 12, chapter 337, acts 1867, provides—"Whenever any company of the 'National Guard' shall have provided itself with a proper uniform to the satisfaction of the Inspector General, the members may be reimbursed for the expense either in whole or in part, to an amount not exceeding twenty dollars per man, so soon as the military fund of the State shall warrant." The field and staff officers of each regiment may select a uniform to be worn by their regiment, subject to the provisions of the above section.

VII.

The Inspector General is charged with the execution of this Order, and will proceed immediately to organize the militia of the State pursuant to the law.

By command of the Governor:

JOHN S. BERRY,
my11-2t. Maj. Gen'l and Adj't Gen'l.

FRESH GARDEN SEED for sale by
April 13. J. K. ALDRIDGE.

Laws of Maryland.

PUBLIC GENERAL.

[OFFICIAL.]

AN ACT to add the following sections to article eighty-one of the Code of Public General Laws, title Revenue and Taxes, sub-title Direct Taxes, relating to the sale of real and leasehold estates for taxes in the several counties.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following sections be added to article eighty-one of the Code of Public General Laws, title revenue and taxes, sub-title direct taxes, and rearranged under the head of section direct taxes in said article:

Sec. 1. That in all cases where lands held in fee simple or by lease, have been sold or shall be sold for the payment of taxes in arrear, according to the provisions of existing laws, it shall be the duty of the Collector of taxes to report the said sale together with all the proceedings had in relation thereto, to the Judge of the Circuit Court of the judicial circuit, where said lands are situated, who shall examine the said proceedings, and if the same appear to be regular, and the provisions of law in relation thereto have been complied with, shall order notice to be given by advertisement published in such newspapers as he shall direct, warning all persons interested in the property sold to be and appear by a certain day, in the said notice to be named, to show cause, if any they have, why said sale should not be ratified and confirmed, and if no cause or an insufficient cause be shown against the said ratification, the said sale shall by the order and decree of the said judge or court, be ratified and confirmed, and the purchaser shall have a good title; but if good cause, in the judgment of the said judge, be shown in the premises, the said sale shall be set aside, in which case the said Collector may proceed to a new sale of the property.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That whenever real or leasehold property which shall be sold for taxes in arrear, shall belong solely to minors, married women, or persons *non compos mentis*, it shall be lawful for the Collector to rent or lease said property for the amount of the taxes in arrear and the expenses of the proceedings, by public auction at the court house door of the county where the lands are situated, and the property in such case shall be struck off to the bidder who will take it for the shortest period of time, not less than one year, for the said taxes, expenses and interest.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That nothing in the two preceding sections contained, shall be authorized to affect any question of title, not connected with or dependent on the said sale by the Collector.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That in all cases of the sale of property, real or leasehold, for the payment of taxes in arrear, it shall be the duty of the Collector at the time of the sale to require the payment of the taxes in arrear and expenses of sale; the balance of the purchase money shall be paid at the expiration of a year and a day from the time of sale, and until payment of the whole of the purchase money the said purchaser shall have no title.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland at its January Session, 1867.

WM. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary to Senate.

A BILL

Entitled "An act to create a Board of Commissioners to keep open the harbor of Baltimore and the access thereto from obstruction by ice, and for river and harbor relief.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the President of the Board of Trade of the city of Baltimore, and the President of the Corn and Flour Exchange of the city of Baltimore, for the time being, together with one other person to be from time to time delegated therefor, by a majority of the presidents of the several marine insurance companies incorporated by or under the laws of the State of Maryland, and having their offices in the city of Baltimore, be and they are hereby created and constituted a Board of Commissioners, to be styled "The Harbor and River Relief Board of Baltimore."

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said Board, and they are hereby authorized and directed, as soon as may be after the passage of this act, to contract for and cause to be constructed in the city of Baltimore on the most advantageous terms, according to their judgment, a first-class steam vessel of such model and with such machinery and equipment as they may deem most suitable for the purpose of keeping open and free from ice the harbor of the city of Baltimore and the access thereto in all weathers and under all circumstances.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the said Board are further authorized and directed to appoint a suitable superintendent of the construction and management of the said steamer, as well as suitable officers and crew for her navigation, at such reasonable salaries as the Board may determine, subject to removal in the discretion of said Board, and also to make and cause to be obeyed and executed all such rules and regulations as they may consider necessary and proper for the control and direction of the said steamer, and all persons connected with her in and about the service aforesaid. And the said Board are further required to cause the said steamer to be employed, so far as they may deem prudent and proper, during the seasons when the said harbor may be unobstructed, in towing vessels and aiding and promoting the ingress and egress of the same to and from the said harbor, and in and upon the Chesapeake Bay and the Patapsco river at such moderate rates as they may establish, regard being had to the interests and facilities of commerce; provided, always that said steamer shall not be so employed in any wise during the season when her services as an ice-breaker shall be needed, except in the case of vessels in distress, bound to or from said city, in which service she may be employed by the Board at any time, when her services, if any, shall be compensated only as in the nature of towage, and not salvage services.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That a majority of the said Board shall constitute a quorum, and determine the action of the same. They shall report their proceedings to the General Assembly and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore at the regular sessions thereof, and shall render an annual account of their receipts and disbursements to the accounting officers of the State and city respectively, as soon as may be, after the first of January in each and every year, and pay over into the respective treasuries of the State and city, one half to each, of all the surplus from appropriations and earnings which may be in their hands and may not be required for the efficient discharge of the duties by this act imposed upon them in their judgment.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That the said Board are authorized and required, from time to time as may be necessary, to make requisitions upon the Comptroller of the Treasury of the State and the Register of the City of Baltimore, respectively, for such amounts, not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (150,000) in all, and to be paid by the State and City equally, as the construction of the said steamer may require, and to be expended in and about the same, and in like manner to make requisitions for the annual amount of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) to be paid by the City as aforesaid, or so much thereof as may be required for the efficient navigation and use of the said steamer for the purposes aforesaid in each and every year, and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed upon receiving such requisitions from the said Board, from time to time, in conformity herewith, to issue his warrant to the Treasurer for the payment of the moneys so required, and hereby appropriated on the part of the State; and the Register of the City of Baltimore is hereby authorized and required to answer and pay the said requisitions, when made in conformity herewith, from time to time; for which end the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby required and authorized to make provision for the same by proper assessment and levy from time to time in the usual way. If at any time the said Board shall deem it necessary or proper to use any of the wharf property of the City belonging to Baltimore for the purposes of the said steamer and her operations, they shall be entitled to the use of the same free of all charge.

Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That this act shall not fail, or cease to have operation and effect, because of any failure or neglect on the part of the Presidents of the Marine Insurance Companies of the City of Baltimore aforesaid, to delegate or appoint a person to act as a member of the said Board, as in the first section of this act provided; and in case the said Presidents shall fail or neglect to make such delegation or appointment within thirty days from the passage of this act, the remaining members of the said Board shall be clothed with and entitled to exercise the powers hereby on said Board conferred, until such appointment or delegation shall have been made, and if after the making of such appointment or delegation there should be a failure or neglect to re-appoint at any time thereafter, the person then a member of said Board, by reason of such appointment or delegation, shall hold until his successor shall have been appointed, and in case of his death, resignation, refusal or failure to act or removal from the State, the said remaining members of the Board shall constitute and act as said Board, until some person shall have been appointed as aforesaid, in his stead, a majority of said Board to control as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That no member of the said Board shall have or receive any salary or compensation, directly or indirectly for his services as such, or be interested in any contract made by or under said Board in any way, and before acting under the provisions of this act, each and every member of the said Board shall make and sign an oath before some person duly authorized by law to administer oaths and affirmations, that he will in no case and under no pretext appoint or remove any person under the said Board, or give to or take from any person whatsoever any contract or advantage under the same, for or on account of the political opinions of such person, or for any other cause or reason than the fitness or unfitness of such person so appointed or removed or so having or receiving such contract or advantage, to discharge or perform the duty connected therewith, or the fidelity of the said person in discharging or performing the same; said oath duly subscribed shall be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the City of Baltimore, who shall be entitled to the usual fees for recordiag the same, and whose certificate thereof under his seal shall be due evidence thereof at law and in equity.

Sec. 8. And be it enacted, That the General Assembly doth hereby reserve to itself the right to repeal, after, change or amend this act at its pleasure.

Sec. 9. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect immediately from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland at its January Session, 1867.

WM. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
my18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

AN ACT to authorize and require the State Treasurer, on the warrant of the Comptroller, to pay the Court costs in the various suits instituted or pending in the Courts of this State and the Supreme Court of the United States to test the validity of the Registry law.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and required, on the warrant of the Comptroller, to pay to the Clerk of the Court of Appeals the sum of one thousand dollars for and on account of the court costs in the various suits instituted or pending in the courts of this State or the Supreme Court of the United States on behalf of citizens of this State to test the validity of the Registry law.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That if the Comptroller, upon the presentation of and examination, shall find any sums to be due to any clerk or other person for cost due paid or to be due, or for any money on account of court costs in the suits aforesaid less than the said sum of one thousand dollars, then the Comptroller shall issue his warrant for such less sum in favor of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals, who shall disburse the same among the parties entitled thereto respectively.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an act to add a new article to the Code of Public General Laws to be entitled Public Roads.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of the several counties shall have the power to sub-divide each or any of the election districts of their counties into road districts, and to appoint a supervisor for each of the said road districts.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That all able-bodied male residents of the counties, between eighteen and fifty, who do not reside within the limits of an incorporated town; shall be compelled to labor not less than two days in every year on the public roads in the road district in which they reside, and the road supervisors, whenever the public roads shall need repairs, shall summon all such persons in his road district, or such number of them as he may deem necessary to make such repairs, giving at least two days' notice of the time and place of meeting, and what tools they must furnish; provided, however, that no person shall be compelled to labor more than four miles from his place of residence.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That if any person from whom such labor on the roads may be required under the provisions of the preceding sections, shall make it satisfactorily appear to the County Commissioners of his county that he is physically unable to perform the said labor, and is not able to pay the fine hereinafter provided, it shall be the duty of the said Commissioners to exempt such person from the performance of the said labor.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the road supervisors may make such commutation of labor for teams and carts or wagons as they may deem proper.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That every person liable as aforesaid to labor on said roads, who shall fail to obey the summons of the road supervisor, or furnish a substitute, shall, upon demand made by said supervisors, pay to said supervisors the sum of one dollar and fifty cents for each and every day he shall fail to perform such labor, and the said supervisors shall collect and account under oath, to the County Commissioners for all sums of money so collected, and shall apply the same, under the directions of the said County Commissioners, to hiring laborers to work on the public roads, and shall pay over to his successor, upon the order of the County Commissioners, any surplus that may remain in his hands; and the said supervisor shall make a report once in three months of the money received and expended, to the Commissioners of the county.

Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That any person failing to obey such summons, made as aforesaid, and refusing upon demand made as aforesaid to pay to said supervisor the said sum of one dollar and fifty cents, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon complaint made by such supervisor, be liable to be arrested and brought before some justice of the peace of said county, upon a warant to be by said justice issued in the name of the State therefor, and shall, upon proof of such summons, failure to obey the same and refusal to pay said sum of one dollar and fifty cents, be fined to an amount equal to said sum of one dollar and fifty cents and all cost of such proceedings before said justice, including the pay for the witnesses for the prosecution; and the said justice, in order to enforce the collection of said fine, shall have the power to issue an execution upon the judgment therefor and to make it a part of said judgment, and the party against whom any such judgment is rendered, shall stand committed to the county jail until such fine and cost be paid.

Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That the County Commissioners shall require the road supervisor appointed by them, to give bond to the State, to be approved by them for such sums as they may deem proper, conditioned for the faithful performance by them of the duties required of them, which said bond may be put in suit for the benefit of any person suffering by the neglect of the said supervisor in keeping the roads in his district in proper order; and the said County Commissioners shall have full power to fix on the price to be paid for laborers on said roads, and to authorize the said supervisor to hire such number of laborers as they may deem necessary, and the said County Commissioners shall pay the said supervisors such salaries or per diem as they may think just and reasonable.

Sec. 8. And be it enacted, That the County Commissioners shall cause to be placed at such of the forks of the public roads as they may think need the same, finger boards or signs, showing the prominent points that the said roads lead to, and the distance to such points, and any person tearing down or defacing such finger boards shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace, shall be fined not less than five or more than ten dollars.

Sec. 9. And be it enacted, That this act shall only apply to the counties of Worcester, Somerset, Anne Arundel, Prince George's, Calvert and Montgomery.

Sec. 10. And be it enacted, That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 11. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a full and true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland at its January Session, 1867.

WM. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
my18-1t. Secretary to Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an act to repeal section second of article eighty-two of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to riots, and to re-enact the same, with amendments.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section two of article eighty-two of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to riots, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

2d. No such liability shall be incurred by any county, incorporated town, or city, unless the authorities thereof shall have good reason to believe that such riot or tumultuous assemblage was about to take place, or having taken place, shall have had notice of the same in time to prevent said injury or destruction, either by its own police or with the aid of the citizens of such county, town or city, unless the authorities, having notice, have also the ability of themselves, or with their own citizens to prevent said injury, that any cause of action that may have heretofore arisen under the first section of said article eighty-two, shall be prosecuted within the period of five years from the time of such cause accruing, and not after. And all causes under the first section hereafter accruing shall be prosecuted within the period of three years from the time of the accrual of the same.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect and be in force from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January Session, 1867.

WM. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

AN ACT to Encourage Immigration to the State of Maryland.

Whereas, In the altered condition of labor, brought about by the adoption of the new Constitution, is involved a radical change in our system of farming as well as in our domestic and social relations; and whereas, it becomes important to encourage the immigration of capitalists and laborers to our soil to provide for the wants which have thus been created;—therefore,

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Dr. James Higgins, of Anne Arundel county, be and he is hereby appointed "Immigrant Agent of the State of Maryland," and is hereby empowered and directed to assume and execute the several duties hereinafter prescribed and devolved upon him.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That said Immigrant Agent shall travel through Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, and other States, or such of them, or such portion or portions of them, as in his discretion shall best promote the object of his agency, and deliver lectures in the towns or public places on his line of travel in which he shall set forth the advantage to capitalists and laborers of settling in the State of Maryland, and with a view to secure large audiences, he shall give public notice by handbill or by advertisement in some one of the newspapers published in the nearest town, at least one week in advance of his purpose to deliver a lecture or lectures on the subject of his agency.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That said agent shall keep an accurate and exact account of his travelling expenses, and a separate and exact account of his expenses incurred in publishing notices of his lectures, which together shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, and shall quarterly transmit in duplicate of each, attested by his affidavit, to the Comptroller of the Treasury, who on being satisfied of their accuracy, and that the same included only necessary expenses, shall transmit to the said Immigrant Agent the amount of said expenses, by draft or by such other method as he shall think safest, addressing the same to such place as said agent shall direct.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That said Immigrant Agent shall keep an account in journal form of the duties he performs, and so far as he can judge, of the success of his efforts, and shall transmit the same, or a duplicate thereof, quarterly to the Governor of the State for his inspection.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That said Immigrant Agent shall be and is hereby appointed for two years from the day of the passage of this act, and shall receive a salary of two thousand dollars per annum, to be paid quarterly, on the warrant of the Comptroller, whose duty it is hereby made to transmit it by draft or otherwise to such address as such Immigrant Agent shall direct.

Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary to the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an act to repeal the fourth section of the forty-third article of the Code of Public General Laws relating to habeas corpus, and re-enact the following section in lieu thereof:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section four of the forty-third article of the Code of Public General Laws relating to habeas corpus is hereby repealed, and the following section re-enacted in lieu thereof:

Sec. 4. The writ of habeas corpus shall be served by delivering it to the officer or other person to whom it is directed or by leaving it at the prison or place in which the party suing it out is detained, and such officer or other person shall forthwith or within such reasonable time as the court shall direct make his return of the writ and cause the person detained to be brought before the court or judge according to the command of the writ, and shall likewise certify the true cause of his detainer or imprisonment (if any) or under what color or pretense such person is confined or restrained of his liberty.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an Act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland at its January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
my18-1t. Secretary to the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an act to continue in force an act entitled an act to regulate and make uniform the fees of Constables, passed January session, 1865, chapter sixty-seven.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the act of January session, 1865, chapter sixty-seven, entitled an act to regulate and make uniform the fees of constables, and which will expire on the first day of April, 1867, be and the same is hereby continued in force until the first day of April, 1869.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January Session, 1867.

WM. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an act to continue in force an Act, entitled an Act to regulate and make uniform fees of Justices of the Peace, passed January session, 1865, chapter 79.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the act of January session, 1865, chapter 79, entitled "An act to regulate and make uniform the fees of Justices of the Peace, and which will expire on the first day of April, 1867, be and the same is hereby continued in force until the first day of April, 1869.

Sec. 2 And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an act to add a section to article 75 of the Code of Public General Laws entitled Pleadings, Practice and Process, to enable parties to plead over without withdrawing their demurrers.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases, civil and criminal, now pending or hereafter to arise in the courts of this State, in which any or either party to any indictment, declaration, plea, replication, rejoinder, sur-rejoinder, or other plea of any description of the opposite party, and the said demurrer shall be overruled, the party demurring shall have the right to plead over to the facts of the case, by way of traverse or otherwise, without withdrawing his demurrer, and upon appeal or writ of error shall have the questions of law arising upon the demurrer decided and determined as fully to every intent as if the party demurring had not pleaded over.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session. 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled "An Act to pay A. Lingan Jarrett the balance of his salary as late Comptroller of the Treasury."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Comptroller of the Treasury be and he is hereby directed to issue his warrant upon the Treasurer, to pay to A. Lingan Jarrett four thousand nine hundred and three dollars and sixty cents, being the balance of his salary as late Comptroller of the Treasury.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an Act to repeal section four of the eighty-eighth article of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Sheriffs," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section four of the eighty-eighth article of the Code of Public General Laws be repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Sec. 4. If any sheriff in office, prior to the first day of January last past, shall have failed at any time heretofore to give and offer for record the bond in the preceding section required within ninety days after the said first day of January last past of his sheriffalty, it shall be the duty of the clerks of the Circuit Courts of the respective counties, or of the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, as the case may be, to give notice forthwith of such failure to the Governor of the State, whose duty it shall be at once to require the Attorney General to institute the proper proceedings to vacate the office of said sheriff, and, upon said vacation, to appoint a successor until the next general election.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That if the bond heretofore required should be filed within the ninety days hereinbefore named, but subsequent to the first day of January in any year, it shall, in addition to the provisions hereinbefore required, be so conditioned as to make the obligors in such bond responsible for all the official acts of said sheriff committed or done by him from the said first day of January, up to the date of the filing of the said bond, as well as thereafter.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
Chief Clerk House of Delegates.
AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
m18-1t. Secretary of the Senate.

A BILL

Entitled an Act to amend article sixty of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled Licenses, by adding thereto additional sections relating to marriages of people of color.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following sections be added to article sixty of the Code of Public General Laws, to come in after section eight:

Sec. 9. All marriages heretofore made and celebrated in this State by and between colored people, are hereby confirmed and made valid to every intent and purpose, from the time of the celebration of such marriages respectively, and every such marriage shall be held and taken by all courts of this State to be good and sufficient in law to all intents and purposes; provided that in every case the parties claiming to have been married by a competent person, shall by sufficient proof before some justice of the peace, establish the fact of having been so married, a certificate of which shall be filed with the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which said marriage was celebrated, or the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore city, and be preserved with the Register of Marriage Licenses in the office of the said clerk.

Sec. 10. In all marriages hereafter celebrated between colored persons, the parties, or some one in their behalf, shall present to the clergyman solemnizing the rites of a marriage, a license as required in other cases of marriages, and any such clergyman is hereby prohibited from solemnizing such marriage without the production of such licenses.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this law shall take effect from the date of its passage.

We certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of an act which passed the General Assembly of Maryland, January session, 1867.

W. R. COLE,
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