CAMBRIDGE:

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1836.

☞ The Orphans' Court of this county will sit on Monday week, 24th instant.

Florida.—The Florida war, seems, "like a crippled snake, to drag its slow length a-long." We have nothing very late or of much interest from the theatre of hostile operations. It appears that Gen. Scott left Fort Drane on the 26th March, with 2200 men, for the Withlacoochee battle ground; and that Gen. Eustis was to leave Volusia, with the whole army, for the same place, on the following Saturday. At the date of our last advices, there had been no recent engagement between the whites and the Indians; but it was expected that should Gen. Scott meet the Indians at Withlacoochee, a battle would ensue that would terminate the war. The opinion generally prevailed that the recent proffered treaty by Powell or Oseola, was a mere feint, made for the purpose of deluding the whites, in order to afford him an opportunity to concentrate his forces and enter into other arrangements for the more vigorous prosecution of the war.

FROM TEXAS—IMPORTANT.

The New Orleans Bulletin of the 28th March, contains intelligence of the capture of San Antonio by the Mexicans and the massacre of a number of Texians. The whole number of the Texians in the garrison of Alamo, taken by the Mexicans, was nearly two hundred, all of whom were slain (except two,) and their bodies were afterwards thrown into a heap and burnt. They fought nobly and sold their lives dearly, as the Mexican loss in the assault is computed to have been not less than 1000 killed and mortally wounded. Col. Crockett, with his companion Mr. Benton, and Col. Bonham, of S. C., is said to have fallen. This event occurred on the 6th of March, and is said to have greatly excited the people throughout Texas, and brought them, as one man, as it were, to the determination to abandon their peaceful occupations and take the field against the Mexicans. Many had already taken up arms and were on the march to the seat of war, resolved to wreak their vengeance on the forces of Santa Anna.

We have room only for the following extract, relating to the assault:—

On the 6th March about midnight, the Alamo was assaulted by the whole force of the Mexicen army, commanded by Santa Anna in person; the battle was desperate until day light, when only 7 men belonging to the Texian garrison were found alive who cried for quarters, but were told that there was no mercy for them; they then continued fighting until the whole were butchered. One woman, Mrs. Dickinson and a negro of Col. Travis, were the only persons whose lives were spared.

The French Question.—It has been a number of weeks since the European intelligence transpiring here has embraced any thing, however vague, on the subject of the French indemnity question. We now see the matter briefly referred to, in a letter from Havre, lately brought over by the ship Formosa. This letter measurably accounts for the temporary oblivion in which the question has been allowed to rest, while it points to what most of the French esteem the particular cause which led to the adjustment of the difficulty. We give place to the letter; for, though unimportant in itself, it possesses some interest.

"HAVRE, 21st Feb.—The American question has been lost sight of during the ministerial crisis, but was brought into view a few days ago by an article in the Journal des Debats, which blames the Message of the 15th of January, as taking away the good impression made by that of the 7th December. The opposition Journals still consider the affair as if settled by the mediation of England—and so do most people.

Europe.—The last accounts from Europe (says the Baltimore American) represent the Emperor Nicholas as continuing to take measures for the complete incorporation of Poland with Russia. By a late decree all Poles are required to study the Russian language, with the view no doubt of destroying their national feeling. New gifts of confiscated property of Poles have been made to Russian officers. Meanwhile the French naval preparations continue with unabated vigor, and the English fleet in the Mediterranean is strengthened.

The Liverpool Cotton Market.—About the middle of February, there was considerable activity in the Liverpool cotton market.—The operations were liberal, if not extensive, and the price was creeping up. Our advices are to the 18th—On the 15th, such was the inquiry for American cotton of the new crop, that prices advanced fully half pence during the day.

Since the preceding paragraph was placed in type, a Liverpool date of the 27th, has reached us, which says "the demand since Wednesday has slackened, and our market closes rather heavily at a decline of ¼d per lb. on Bowed, whilst other descriptions maintain extreme rates."

They have been rioting and breaking heads, quite successfully, of late, at Quebec. At the close of an election, on the 23d March, serious disturbances occurred at that place, between the Canadian population on the one part, and the English an Irish, on the other, which resulted in severe injury to many, but in the loss of no lives. And on the 26th, the riots were renewed, and several persons were severely beaten—two, it was apprehended, mortally wounded.

Spain.—At the latest advices, the civil war was still going on.

We were last week led into an error as to the number of acts passed by the Legislature at the late session. It is three hundred and forty one, and not, as we then stated, two hundred and thirty three.

Magistrates' District Courts.—The law of the recent session of the General Assembly, instituting these Courts, will be found in our advertising columns, to day, in an authentic shape. It may be serviceable for future reference, as well as desirable for present perusal. Every one, likely to be affected by it, should, of course, acquaint himself with at least its general provisions.

THE PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE, which commenced on Wednesday, the 30th ult., closed its session, we understand, on Monday last. The following appointments by the Conference, all we now have room for, were politely handed us last night.

DELAWARE DISTRICT.

HENRY WHITE, P. E.

Cambridge Circuit—J. A. Massey, Stephen Townsend.
Dorchester—D. Lambdin, J. Hangis.
Salisbury—J. Bain, G. Wiltshire.
Princess Anne—J. Bell, and one yet to be supplied.
Accomac—J. S. Taylor, J. A. Roach.
Snow Hill— —— Connelly, G. Lacy.
Lewistown— —— Hazzard, —— Ames.
Milford—W. Urie, J. Hunterson.
Berlin—H. F. Roberts.
Elkton Station—J. Potts.
Lancaster City Station—J. L. Houston.
Wilmington Station— —— Sorin.
David Daley, P. E. Chesapeake District.

New Banks in Maryland.—No less than nine Banks were chartered by our State Legislature at its late session.

Twenty nine divorces were granted by the Legislature of this State, during the session which closed on the 4th instant.

There are twenty-eight Banks in Boston, with an aggregate capital of $18,150,000.

The Legislature of Pennsylvania, enacted a law to authorise foreigners to hold stock in the Banks of that Commonwealth, which will doubtless have the effect to promote the general prosperity of the State by introducing foreign capital into her markets.

The Secretary of the Navy, has recommended to Congress, the propriety of establishing a Navy Yard in Baltimore, and also in Charleston; and it is not improbable that the National Legislature will, at its present session, take the measures necessary to carry out the Secretary's recommendation.

Prosperity.—The accounts of business in Baltimore this spring, which reach us, are unusually cheering. The American of Saturday, says the trade of that city in all its branches is active beyond any former experience.

The large warehouse at the Quarantine Ground, opposite Fort McHenry, near Baltimore, (the property of the U. States,) was consumed by fire, on the afternoon of the 8th instant.

The trade of the Western States with the Atlantic cities, is already of immense importance, and is every day expanding. There is therefore springing up in those cities an emulation, a friendly rivalry, to secure this trade, which will not only immeasurably accelerate and extend the business itself, but will add millions to the value of property both in the East and the West. New York, with her canals and rail roads, made and to be made; Philadelphia, with the magnificent system of internal improvement of Pennsylvania, in her aid; Baltimore, with her Chesapeake and Ohio Canal and Rail Road, now certainly and rapidly to be completed; and even Charleston, with a Rail Road to Cincinnati, authorised, and likely, we presume, to be made; are all reaching out their enterprising hands for this Western trade, and presenting attractions, each in her own way, for the consignments and purchases of the Western merchants.—*Philad. Amer.*

VARIETY.

A law has passed the New York Legislature, incorporating a company to make a Tunnel under the Hudson River, at Albany.

The Legislature of Massachusetts has passed a bill authorising the State Treasurer to subscribe a million of dollars to the Stock of the Western Rail Road.

The Massachusetts Legislature has incorporated the "New England Knitting Machine Company." It is proposed also, in an Eastern paper, to incorporate the "Apple Paring and Peach Kernel Company."

The salary paid to the cashier of the Citizens' Bank of New Orleans, is equivalent to $15,000 per annum.

Twelve hundred and twenty five houses were erected in New York during the year 1835.

The amount of the revenue collected in the port of New York, during the present year, exceeds that of the year before by forty per cent.

The author of "Jacob Faithful" has commenced a new story, entitled "Snarleyyow, or the Dog Fiend."

A steamboat plies regularly every fortnight between Athens and Constantinople.

A lot of land on Wall street, New York, measuring 36 feet 9 inches front, and containing about 3300 square feet, was sold the other day for $94,000.

Such is the anxiety to increase the culture of silk in New England, that the seed of the white mulberry sells at $7 50 per pound.

☞ *A New York paper speaks well of the experiment made last fall, in that city, of paving a portion of Broadway with blocks of wood, instead of stone.*

We understand that a good business has commenced at the Fisheries. A more than usual quantity (for the season) of fine Shad and Herring has reached this place. If the weather continues favorable supplies will continue large.—Alex. Gaz.

A rumor has found its way into the papers that Gen. Gaines will be brought to a Court Martial for his recent conduct in the South.

A project is on foot at New Orleans for the construction of a ship canal of eight miles in length, to lead from the Mississippi to the ocean. It is to commence about three miles below Fort Jackson, passing through the prairie on the left bank of the river. The cost is estimated at $300,000 to $500,000.

The small pox has lately been making dreadful ravages in some districts of South Carolina and Georgia.

The Royal Library at Paris.—From an inspection recently made in the royal library in Paris, it appears that it now contains 800,000 printed volumes, 100,000 manuscripts, and 1,000,000 historical documents.—Taking the average, 15,000 volumes are annually added, exclusive of pamphlets.

Laws of Maryland,

PASSED DECEMBER SESSION, 1835.

Not having room for the entire List of Laws, we exclude such as are deemed to be of little or no interest to our readers.

An act to extend the power of the Commissioners for Talbot county, for the purposes therein mentioned.

An act to incorporate the Queen Ann's Silk Company.

A supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the town called and known by the name of Vienna, in Dorchester county.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Bucktown, in Dorchester county.

An act to alter and change the name of Thomas Dawson, of Dorchester county, to the name of Thomas McKenzie.

An additional supplement to the act entitled an act to provide for the public instruction of youth in Primary Schools throughout this State.

An act to repeal an act entitled an act regulating fences in Dorchester and Caroline counties, passed at December session, 1833, chapter 119, and the supplement thereto, passed at December session, 1834, chapter 225, so far as they relate to Dorchester county.

A further supplement to an act entitled a supplement to an act relating to Free Negroes and Slaves.

An additional supplement to the act entitled an act for erecting a Bridge over Choptank river, at Dover ferry, passed December session, 1810, chapter 112.

An act to amend the Constitution and form of government of this State, so far as it relates to the representation in the House of Delegates from the city of Baltimore.

An act to authorise the city of Baltimore to subscribe to the capital stock of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road.

An act to amend the Constitution and form of government, so far as to require the assent of two-thirds of each branch of the Legislature to annul a marriage contract.

An act for the benefit of Thomas N. Muir.

An act relating to riots.

An act relating to certain banks in the city of Baltimore.

An act investing certain powers in the commissioners of Talbot county, for the purposes therein named.

A further additional supplement to the act entitled an act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances and securing the estates of purchasers.

An act to authorise and empower persons owning real estate on any of the navigable waters of this State, to construct wharves thereon.

An act to continue in force the acts of Assembly which would expire with the present session of the General Assembly.

An act to change the time of holding the November term of Somerset County Court.

An act to provide indemnity to the sufferers by certain riots in the city of Baltimore.

An act to authorize Thomas Hayward to bring certain negroes into this State.

An act to authorise the Levy Court of Somerset county to levy a sum of money for the use of Alexander Donoho, of said county.

An act concerning crimes and punishments.

An act to establish Magistaates' Courts in the several counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction.

A supplement to an act entitled an act to establish Magistrates' Courts in the several counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction.

An act relating to Lotteries in the State of Maryland.

A supplement to an act entitled a further additional supplement to an act entitled an act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances and securing the estates of purchasers.

An act relating to Constables' fees.

An act to repeal part of an act passed at December session, 1834, chapter 251, and supplementary thereto.

An act for the protection of Oysters in the Little Choptank or Hudson river and its creeks, in Dorchester county.

An act to incorporate the Greensborough Manufacturing Company.

An act supplemental to an act entitled an act to make valid the acts of Justices of the Peace relating to supersedeas, passed December session, 1825, chapter 223.

An act to authorise the Commissioners of the town of Cambridge, in Dorchester county, to remove obstructions from the mouth and other parts of Cambridge creek, and for other purposes therein stated.

An act to incorporate the Baltimore and New Orleans Packet Company.

A supplement to the act entitled an act for the promotion of internal improvement.

An act for the division of Baltimore and Frederick counties, and for creating a new one by the name of Carroll, and to alter and change the constitution of this State, so far as may be necessary to effect the same.

An act to amend an act entitled an act for the benefit of Richard Webb, Samuel Barrett, Moses Coker and Charles Williams, free persons of color, of Dorchester, Harford, Caroline and Talbot counties, passed at December session, 1834, chapter 187.

An act relating to Drovers, driving cattle and sheep in and through Caroline county.

A further supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the river Delaware and the Chesapeake bay.

An act to incorporate the Western Bank of Baltimore.

An act to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Baltimore.

An act to incorporate the Eastern Bank of Baltimore.

An act to incorporate the Talbot County Silk Company.

A supplement to an act entitled an act for the preservation and repair of that part of the United States road within the limits of the State of Maryland.

An act relating to pensions by county assessment.

An act to incorporate the Cherapeake Bank.

An act to incorporate the Citizens' Bank of Baltimore.

An act entitled an act for founding a College near Emmettsburg, in Frederick county.

An act to incorporate the Real Estate Bank of Baltimore.

An act to incorporate the Farmers' and Millers' Bank of Hagerstown.

An act concerning the punishment of frauds.

An act to incorporate the Hamilton Bank.

A further supplement to the act entitled an act relating to free negroes and slaves, passed at December session, 1834, chap. 323.

A further supplement to an act entitled an act relating to free negroes and slaves.

A further supplement to an act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances and securing the estates of purchasers.

An act to incorporate the Eastern Shore Rail Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Real Estate Bank of Frederick county.

Lost money found.—The Wheeling Gazette, of the 6th inst., says—"We learn by a passenger in a steam boat, that the package of $100,000, recently lost by the individual carrying it from Cincinnati to Philadelphia, was found near Zanesville, and that it had been sent on to Cincinnati. We shall, probably, learn the particulars in a few days."

Important to the Ladies.—A letter from an American lady in England says, that during her stay of some months, she had not yet seen a lady with ear-rings! and this is in the very centre of fashion—London!

Caroline H. Sheepshanks has applied to the Legislature to have her name changed.

THE MARKETS.

Baltimore, April 12.—Flour, Howard st., at $6 81¼; wagon price, $6 75. City Mills, $6.75. Susquehanna, $6.62½ a 6.75. Grain—Wheat, best red $1.35 a 1.38. White Corn, 84 a 85 cents—yellow, 84 a 85 cts. Rye 93 a 94 cts.

Philadelphia, April 9.—Flour, $6 87½ a 6 93¾. Southern Wheat, $1 43 a 1 46.—Rye, 93 a 96c. Corn, yellow, 80 a 82c; white, 78 a 80c. Oats, 50c.

MARRIED,

In this county, on Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Stephen Hurst, Mr. *Henry Wilcox*, to Miss *Margaret Craft*.

A CARD.

THE SUBSCRIBERS have just returned from Philadelphia and Baltimore with a splendid assortment of

New & Fashionable GOODS,

which they are now opening at the old stand. Their assortment comprises almost every description of Goods suitable for the season; and, having been selected from the latest importations, with the greatest care, and on the best terms, they are confident they cannot fail to please in quality, description and price.

As their assortment is so extensive that it is impossible to enumerate all the desirable articles which comprise it, the public are requested to call and examine their supply before purchasing, as they cannot fail to be pleased, and will find it much to their advantage to do so.

The public's ob't. serv'ts.,
WHITE & ANDERSON.

Cambridge, April 16 3w

N. B. An assortment of Ladies' PARASOLS, of all sizes, colors and qualities—Also, a supply of Silver and other SPECTACLES. W. & A.

J. B. ROSS, Surgeon Dentist,

RESPECTFULLY informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of Dorchester county, that he will be at Mrs. Flint's Hotel, in Cambridge, about the first of May next, and that he will then, for a few days, be happy to afford to them his professional services.

Baltimore, April 5th. [Ap 16 3w]

Dr. Thos. Hy. Handy

WILL be in East New Market, during the week previous to next October term of Dorchester County Court, and in Cambridge during Court, when all persons indebted to him on notes, bonds and judgments are solicited to be prepared to liquidate the same; and those who have either overlooked or disregarded his public invitation, of previous date, to come forward and adjust their claims, are informed that their accounts have been placed in the hands of his collector, Mr. Henry Edmondson, to whom they are respectfully requested to make early payment.

April 16 3w

Notice.

IN pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Dorchester county, the subscriber will sell, at private sale, for cash, to remain in the State, the following NEGROES, belonging to the estate of John Donovan, late of said county, deceased, viz: One Man, aged 29 years; one Woman, aged 20, and her child; one Girl, agsd 12; and one Boy, aged 10 years.

Those wishing to purchase will please make early application to

JAMES DIXON, Adm'r.

April 16 3w

NOTICE.

A meeting of the friends of the Botanic System, in Dorchester, is requested in Cambridge, on Monday, the second of May next. Business of importance will be transacted, and a full attendance is desired. HENRY WILCOX, Sec'ry.

April 9

Coach, Gig & Harness

MAKERS.

THE undersigned respectfully present their thanks to their friends and the public of Talbot and the adjacent counties, for the many favors and flattering support they continue to receive in their line, and now beg leave to inform them that they are prepared to furnish

Coaches, Barouches, CHARIOTEES, GIGS,
SULKIES, BUGGIES,
CARRY-ALLS,

or any description of Carriage, at the shortest notice, in the most fashionable and substantial manner, and on the most accommodating terms. They assure those gentlemen and ladies who are fond of elegance, ease and pleasure that there is no necessity of sending to the cities for handsome and good carriages, as their work will bear comparison and examination with the best city work, and has stood the test of time and criticism; they will also say, that they will use every exertion to merit the unbounded confidence and patronage their work has received from a generous and discerning public, nearly all over the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Having enlarged their establishment considerably, and keeping constantly on hand a large and complete assortment of

MATERIALS,

with the assistance of the best of Workmen, they will be thankful to fill all orders.—Gentlemen and Ladies at a distance have only to specify the kind of carriage and price, and have it brought to their own door, free of charge. All kinds of repairing done at the shortest notice, in the best manner, and on the most pleasing terms. Silver Plating of every description done in the establishment; and all kinds of Steel Springs made and repaired.

They have now on hand a handsome assortment of CARRIAGES, both new and second hand, of various kinds and prices; and they solicit an early call from their friends and the public generally.

The public's ob't. serv'ts.,
ANDERSON & HOPKINS.

Easton, Talbot county, Md., April 16.

P. S. They have for sale a pair of handsome young HORSES, well matched, color blood bay, warranted sound and kind to harness; also, a first rate GIG-HORSE.

WANTING—Three Apprentices to the above business, of moral habits, from 14 to 16 years of age.

Commercial Bank of Baltimore.

CAPITAL $3,000,000.

IN pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of Maryland, entitled "an act to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Baltimore," the undersigned Commissioners will cause books to be opened to receive subscriptions to the Capital stock of said Bank, on *Monday, the 6th day of June next*, and the same will be kept open from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. for six successive days, in the cities of Baltimore (at the Baltimore House), Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Richmond and Winchester, Va., and Charleston, S. C., also at each of the county towns in the several counties in the State of Maryland.

Shares $100 each, $10 to be paid on each share at the time of subscribing, and $10 at the expiration of 2, 4, 8 and 12 months, the remaining $50 at such times thereafter as may be required by the President and Directors, after giving 90 days notice.

SOLOMON BETTS,
F. W. BRUNE,
DANIEL COBB,
HENRY THOMPSON,
JAMES BEATTY,
THOMAS BALTZELL,
JOHNS HOPKINS,
CHARLES TIERNAN,
HENRY P. SUMNER,
THOMAS WILSON,
CHARLES H. H. BROWN,
JAMES GEORGE,
JOHN W. KEIRLE,
FRANCIS NEALE,
GEO. W. RIGGS,
} Commissioners.

Baltimore, April 16

MARYLAND:
Dorchester County Orphans' Court, April 12, 1836.

On application of Kendal M. Lewis, *Administrator of* Major Lewis, *late of Dorchester county, deceased*, IT IS ORDERED *that he give the notice required by law for all creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that he cause the same to be published once in each week, for the space of three successive weeks, in the Cambridge Chronicle, the paper selected by him.*

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of Dorchester County Orphans' Court, I have hereunto set my name, and the seal of my office affixed, this 12th day of April, in the year of our Lord, 1836.

L. S.

WM. W. ECCLESTON,
Register of Wills for Dorchester county.

In compliance with the above order, This is to give notice that the subscriber, of Dorchester county, hath obtained from the Orphans' court of Dorchester county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of MAJOR LEWIS, *late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to Thomas H. Hicks, Esq., Vienna, on or before the 19th day of October next; they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand, this 12th day of April*, 1836.

KENDAL M. LEWIS,
Adm'r. of Major Lewis, dec'd.

April 16 3w

Those indebted to the above estate are requested to make immediate payment to the administrator.

Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given to the creditors of William Furnis, late of Dorchester county, deceased, to file their claims, with the vouchers thereof, in the Register of Wills' office of said county, on or before Wednesday the 1st of June next, as a dividend on the said deceased's estate will be struck that day. Those who fail to do this, may be excluded from any part of the estate aforesaid. Given under my hand, this 11th day of April, 1836.

BENTON H. CROCHETT,
April 16 4w Adm'r.

A BILL, entitled an act to establish Magistrates' Courts in the several counties of this State, and to prescribe their jurisdiction.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the first day of May next, the number of justices of the peace in every county of this State shall be so appointed as that there shall be three at least always resident in each district, and it shall be the duty of the Governor and Council to select, appoint and assign to each of the said justices of the peace in each election district, to be justices of a court to be held in said election district, in the manner hereinafter provided, which said justices when so appointed and assigned, shall be styled in their commission district justices, and before they shall act as such and during their continuance in office, they shall reside within the election district for which they are appointed—and each of the said district justices, out of court, shall have and exercise throughout their respective counties, all the powers, duties and jurisdiction of other justices of the peace therein, and also such further and other jurisdiction within their respective districts, as is hereinafter given and provided.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said district justices or any two of them shall constitute and hold a court, to be styled the district court, in the several and respective election districts to which they shall be appointed and assigned, at least once in every month, on such days and at such places, within the several election districts, as the said district justices, or a majority of them, shall, for their respective districts, fix and ascertain; and it shall be the duty of the said district justices, as soon after their appointment as may be, and so from time to time, as the public convenience may, in their judgment, require, to fix and designate the most suitable and convenient days and places or places, in each election district, for holding the said district courts, at least once in every month; and it shall be the duty of the said district justices on the several days and at the places so as aforesaid fixed and designated, to meet and hold the said district courts; and the said district justices or any two of them, so met, shall have jurisdiction over, and may take cognizance of all cases whatever, now within the jurisdiction or cognizance of a single or two justices of the peace, and in all like or similar cases where the debt or damages laid or claimed shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars, and under like and similar restrictions and limitations, except so far as the same may be inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and shall have and exercise original jurisdiction in all cases of debt or contract expressed or implied, where the debt or damages do not exceed one hundred dollars: in all actions of replevin where the value of the property in dispute, when appraised on the service of the writ of replevin, as hereinafter provided, does not exceed one hundred dollars; in which actions of replevin the court may besides adjudging a return of the property, award damages as in a county court, may be receeverred in case of replevin; in all actions of trespass, (except where the title to lands is in any manner involved,) and the persons against whom a complaint is made under this act, before the said district court, shall appear on the return day of the warrant, and allege that he or she is entitled to the property on which the trespass is charged to have been committed, or that he or she had acted under a person named by him or her, claiming title to the same, and shall verify the allegation by oath or affirmation, where the damages claimed do not exceed one hundred dollars; in all actions of trover, where the damages claimed do not exceed one hundred dollars; in all actions of assault and battery, where the damages claimed do not exceed one hundred dollars—Provided the defendant at the time of the suit or action being brought, resides within the district, or does not reside in the State; and it shall be the duty of the said district justices in all cases, in which jurisdiction is herein given to them, to try, hear and determine the matter in controversy, and upon full hearing of the allegations, evidence and witnesses of both parties, to give judgment thereon, according to the laws of the land and equity and right of the matter.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That in all cases whatsoever within the jurisdiction or cognizance of the said district court, whenever either party shall think himself aggrieved by the judgment thereof, he shall be at liberty to appeal to the next county court, in case the said judgment shall be rendered within ten days before the next sitting of the said county court, to the next or second term thereafter—Provided such appeal be taken within sixty days after the rendition of such judgment, but no such appeal shall operate as a stay of execution or supersedeas of any judgment, unless upon bond and security being given and approved by any one of the said district justices, in the same manner and form as heretofore used and practised in cases of appeal from the judgment of a single justice of the peace;—and the judges of the said county court shall hear and determine the same as heretofore used and practised in cases of appeal from the judgment of a single justice of the peace; and all such cases of appeal shall be tried by the said county court *de novo*, and each party shall have a right to a trial by jury, and it shall be the duty of the district justices in all cases of appeal as aforesaid, to transmit all the papers and proceedings relative to the case to the clerk of the county court on or before the first day of said county court next ensuing, under a penalty of twenty dollars for every neglect or refusal so to do, which sum shall be collected in the same manner as fines and forfeitures are now collected and paid over to the appellant.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the judges of the several county courts within this State, shall not hold plea in the said courts, of any case within the jurisdiction given to the said district courts by this act; and if any plaintiff brings such action in the county court, and the verdict of the jury is for a sum not exceeding the sum herein before limited and prescribed for the extent of the jurisdiction of the said district court in the several actions herein respectively specified, judgment shall in such case be given for the defendant with costs—and if any person sue another before a district court out of the election district wherein such defendant resides, provided he resides in the state of Maryland, the person so sued may plead his non-residence in the district wherein he is so sued, in a summary way, before the said district court where he is sued, and such court on proof of the plea, shall give judgment for such defendant, with costs—Provided, nevertheless, that such defendant shall in case of a verdict in the county court, deduct the amount of his costs, if his costs exceed the amount of the verdict, and the balance only shall be paid by the plaintiff to him, but if the amount of the verdict exceeds the amount of the defendant's costs, the plaintiff shall deduct such defendant's costs therefrom and the balance only shall be the sum due from the defendant to the plaintiff, and such plaintiff may afterwards war[illegible] defendant, according to the [illegible] maining due, as for any othe[illegible] ges, before a single justice [illegible] the district court, as the cas[illegible] short copy of such verdict, [illegible] bill of costs, as taxed by th[illegible] county court, shall be sufficie[illegible] such balance due.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, [illegible] tiff bringing an action in th[illegible] shall be non-suited or have ju[illegible] him or pay the costs, althou[illegible] sum of money recovered dol[illegible] hundred dollars current mo[illegible] debt or sum of money recov[illegible] duced below the jurisdiction [illegible] ty court by reason of an acco[illegible] off of a debt or damages due [illegible] to the defendant and not by p[illegible]

Sec. 6. *And be it enacte*[illegible] trict justices first named in [illegible] for each election district cour[illegible] justice of the district court [illegible] respective district: and the [illegible] tion according to the priority [illegible] and that any two of the said [illegible] absence of the other, shall [illegible] holding a court and exercisi[illegible] and jurisdiction thereof, in [illegible] manner as if all three we[illegible] any one of the said justices [illegible] to him out of court, sh[illegible] and authority to issue proce[illegible] respondendum, summons or [illegible] compelling the appearance a[illegible] parties or witnesses respect[illegible] district court to answer any [illegible] which shall be made retur[illegible] said district court at such d[illegible] the nature of the case and th[illegible] shall require, in the same m[illegible] as now legally used and pr[illegible] gle justice of the peace, in [illegible] such single justice of the p[illegible] zance, or varied in such other [illegible] as may substantially suit th[illegible] purposes, and so as to bring [illegible] declared to be within the ju[illegible] said district court, to trial [illegible] and if during any actual si[illegible] district court it shall beco[illegible] be required by either party [illegible] witness in a case then pen[illegible] before the said district co[illegible] the duty of the chief just[illegible] sence the presiding justice [illegible] sue a summons for such w[illegible] the return of any summons [illegible] appear and testify before t[illegible] appear that such witness [illegible] summoned and doth not ap[illegible] lawful for the said chief ju[illegible] justice, unless good and su[illegible] shown to the contrary, to [illegible] ment against such witness, [illegible] her attendance.

Sec. 7. *And be it enacte*[illegible] the duty of the chief justic[illegible] trict court, or in his abse[illegible] named justice of the said [illegible] make regular and fair entr[illegible] a docket to be kept for th[illegible] cases, suits, actions, or co[illegible] before the said court upon [illegible] issued by any one of the s[illegible] foresaid, or otherwise, an[illegible] duty of each of the said di[illegible] make and keep a docket o[illegible] entries or minutes of all [illegible] nal process, writ, or sum[illegible] him as aforesaid, for comp[illegible] ance of parties or witness[illegible] court, particularly specify[illegible] times of issuing the same [illegible] names of the parties or [illegible] therein, and the days wh[illegible] to what constable direc[illegible] docket and entries or mi[illegible] ularly produced by the sai[illegible] said district court, at [illegible] much thereof as may be [illegible] transferred to the docket [illegible] court by the chief justice [illegible] by the next named presid[illegible] a full docket may be ma[illegible] herein before directed, of [illegible] tions, complaints, pleas [illegible] attachments intended to [illegible] turned before the said di[illegible] on the final decision of [illegible] entry shall be made in th[illegible] chief justice, or in case [illegible] the presiding justice, of [illegible] of the court, which shall [illegible] the true parties to the ca[illegible] judgment, the principal d[illegible] time from which interes[illegible] the cost taxed and adjudg[illegible] the duty of every such [illegible] to keep and preserve the [illegible] judgments rendered by [illegible] court, and transmit the s[illegible] in office—but in case the [illegible] shall at any time be unab[illegible] ting of the said district c[illegible] the said docket of judgm[illegible] for the time being into t[illegible] next named in the comm[illegible] it shall be to keep and [illegible] and after the sitting of [illegible] have been ended careful[illegible] to the said chief justice [illegible] if any person shall wilfu[illegible] the entries or judgmen[illegible] said docket, he shall b[illegible] forgery, and upon prosec[illegible] thereof, in the county c[illegible] the punishment prescrib[illegible] offence of forgery.

Sec. 8. *And be it enac*[illegible] district court shall have [illegible] in all cases of assault an[illegible] within the district the[illegible] appear to the said distric[illegible] ing of the case, that the [illegible] tery was committed wi[illegible] and it shall be lawful [illegible] when informed by comp[illegible] before them, or of their [illegible] the commission of any [illegible] the said district, to is[illegible] name of the State agai[illegible] sed, directed to some c[illegible] trict, to compel his or h[illegible] the said court, to answ[illegible] when the party shall a[illegible] court, he or she shall h[illegible] to submit the case to t[illegible] ment of the said court [illegible] same, before the said c[illegible] ses may be now travers[illegible] court, or may in his [illegible] into a recognizance be[illegible] court, or any one of th[illegible] his or her appearance [illegible] court of the same c[illegible] charge; but if the pa[illegible] elect to submit his or h[illegible] and judgment of the s[illegible] traverse the charge b[illegible] then the said district c[illegible] and jurisdiction to he[illegible] same, and give judgm[illegible] law of the land and th[illegible] and in case of convic[illegible] court shall and may [illegible] fine and imprisonment