## LAWS OF MARYLAND.

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DEC. Sess. the said original act, and the supplements thereto, are to all intents and purposes invested with all and singular the powers authorities and jurisdictions, that can or may be exercised by the chancellor of this state, whether the same be derived from the common law, or in virtue of any statute or act of assembly heretofore passed.

May decree in equity.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in case any bill to complete the specific performance of any contract shall be filed in any county court of a county in which the respondent or respondents do reside, although the specific performance is to be executed in some other place, the said court are hereby authorised to hold plea thereof, and to decree according to the equity of the case, and the said decree shall have the same force and effect as a decree of the chancellor would have had, and be enforced in the same manner, provided that in case of a decree for the specific performance of a contract to convey real property lying in a different county, an office copy of such decree shall be first filed with the clerk of the county where such real estate may lie and be recorded.

Respondents restoring in different counties complainants may elect.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when two or more respondents reside in different counties, the complainant or complainants may elect in which county to file his bill, and in such case a duplicate subpoena or subpoenas shall issue to such county or counties wherein such respondent or respondents may reside, and the same proceedings may be had and enforced to compel the appearance of the party or parties, as if such respondent or respondents respectively resided in the county in which such bill may have been filed.

Commission. ers to take answers.

4 AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said courts are hereby authorised and empowered to issue commissioners, as well to take the answer or answers of any respondent or respondents, as also to take the deposition or depositions of any witness or witnesses, as well in the county wherein the bill of complaint may be filed, as also in any other county or counties wherein any respondent or witness may reside.

Injunctions. rules &c.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the several judges of the county courts of this state are hereby authorised and empowered, during the vacation of their respective courts, to grant injunctions, and also to direct any rule, order, or interlocutory decree, to be entered by the clerk, to bring any cause to a fair hearing, and such injunction, rule, order or decree, shall have the same force and effect, and may be enforced in the same manner as if such rule, order or decree had been entered during the regular terms of the said courts.

Subpoena,

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That any person other than the plaintiffs, may serve a subpoena issuing from any of the county courts as courts of chancery, and upon proof made to the court by affidavit, of the service of the said subpoena, where the same has not been served by a sheriff, and upon the failure of the party to appear in obedience to such subpoena, or on his appearing and failing to obey any order or rule of the court, it shall and may be lawful for the court to issue an attachment against the party so failing, in the manner herein before directed, and to be served and returned by the sheriff, under the penalty herein before prescribed in cases of attachments.

Defendants. residing out of

7. AND BE IT ENACTED, That when some of the de-