SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That Baltimore city court shall have jurisdiction of the offences and exercise the powers conferred by this act as in cases arising within the city of Baltimore.

Compensation to justices of peace for criminal cases in Baltimore. SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That the justices of the peace in the city and county of Baltimore, for their services in any criminal proceeding or in reference to any criminal charge or complaint, shall be entitled to compensation, to be determined and fixed by the commissioners of Baltimore county, as the case may be, and to be levied and paid as constables are now paid for services in criminal cases.

Articles employed in attempting release of prisoners forfeited.

SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That any money, bank notes, or chattel property employed, used, or attempted to be used, or introduced, within or about the buildings, yards, or enclosure of the penitentiary of this state, for the purpose of rescuing, or procuring the release of any convict confined in said penitentiary, shall be forfeited thereby, to the use of this state; and the directors of said penitentiary may and shall take possession thereof, and appropriate the same by sale or otherwise to the use of this state, in the business of said penitentiary, and they shall institute and prosecute any suit or suits in the name of the state, that may by them be deemed or found necessary for the recovery or forfeiture of such money, bank notes, or property; Provided always, that nothing in this act contained, shall be construed so as to forfeit any money, bank notes or property, heretofore so introduced or employed, and not then forseitable, but the said directors may, in their discretion, deliver the same to any person or persons, whom they shall think best entitled thereto, or to his, her or their attorney.

Proviso.

## CHAPTER 217.

An Act to repeal the third section of an Act, entitled, a further Supplement to the Act, entitled, an Act for the relief of sundry Insolvent Debtors, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty.

Section repealed.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the third section of an act, entitled, a further supplement to the act, entitled, an act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty, be, and the same is hereby repealed; Provided, that nothing contained in this act shall be construed to apply to the city of Baltimore, also Baltimore county.

## CHAPTER 249.

An Acr for the protection of Oysters in the Waters of the Eastern Shore of this State.

See notes to 1820, ch. 24, ante page 722; and 1832, ch. 76.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the protection of oysters in the waters of this state is a subject in which the citizens thereof are deeply concerned,