

way exercise the functions of his office within the limits of the city aforesaid, except in the preservation of the peace, and in matters of a criminal nature; and that no justice of the peace appointed by virtue of this act shall in any way exercise the functions of his office out of the limits of the said city, except in the preservation of the peace and in matters of a criminal nature; *Provided*, that all acknowledgments of deeds or other instruments of writing taken before the justices of the peace appointed by virtue of this act, shall have the same effect and validity as they now have when taken before the justices of the peace of Baltimore county; *And provided also*, that such acknowledgments when hereafter taken before the justices of the peace of Baltimore county, shall have the same effect and validity as heretofore.

**Proviso.** **Repeal.** *SEC. 7. And be it enacted*, That all laws repugnant to or inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

A SUPPLEMENT to the ACT, entitled, an Act relating to Justices of the Peace, in the City of Baltimore.—1824, ch. 189.

**Jurisdiction of sums under \$100.** *SEC. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the first day of April next, in all cases where the real debt and damages doth not exceed one hundred dollars, it shall and may be lawful for any one justice of the peace in and for the city of Baltimore, to try, hear and determine the matter in controversy between the creditor and debtor, and upon full hearing of the allegations and evidences of both parties, to give judgment according to the laws of the land, and the equity and right of the matter, in the same manner, and under the same rules and regulations, to all intents and purposes, as such justices of the peace are now authorized and empowered to do, when the debt and damages do not exceed the sum of fifty dollars current money.

This act is extended to Baltimore county, by 1831, ch. 306, sec. 5, ante page 1052.

**Superseas.** *SEC. 2. And be it enacted*, That in all cases where judgment shall be rendered by any justice of the peace in and for the said city, for any sum exceeding ten pounds current money, it shall be lawful for the defendant or defendants to supersede the said judgment, before the justice of the peace, rendering the same at any time within sixty days from the rendition thereof, which supersedeas shall stay execution for twelve months thereafter; and that if the justice of the peace rendering the said judgment, shall die, move away, or be removed from office, within sixty days after the rendition of the said judgment, that then and in that case it shall and may be lawful for the defendant or defendants to supersede the said judgment before any other justice of the peace for the city of Balti-