

head or heads may be brought by virtue of this act, to take and receive the oath or affirmation of the party bringing the same; free and clear from all charges against the person or persons making such oath or affirmation, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding. Free of charge.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That nothing contained in this act, shall apply to Prince George's and Charles counties. Counties excepted.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That all laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed. Repealing clause.

MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

AN ACT to abolish Magistrates' Courts in Calvert County.—1838, ch. 70.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-five, chapter two hundred and one, entitled an act to establish magistrates' courts in the several counties of this state, and to prescribe their jurisdiction, and the several supplements thereto, be and the same are hereby repealed, so far as relates to Calvert county, and that the magistrates' courts in said county, be and the same are hereby abolished. Repeal as to said county.

A SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an Act to abolish Magistrates' Courts in Calvert County, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight.—1838, ch. 144.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That in all cases where suits have been instituted in said courts, for the recovery of a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, if no judgment has been rendered thereon, it shall be the duty of the respective chief judges of said courts to deliver to some justice of the peace, of the district or county, all the papers and proceedings relative thereto; and in case any writ of capias ad respondendum, scire facias, capias ad satisfaciendum, or fieri facias, issued by either of the said courts, for the recovery of a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, shall be in the hands of the sheriff or any constable of said county, and not returned, it shall be the duty of the said sheriff or constable, as the case may be, to return the same before some justice of the peace, of the district or county, who shall take such proceedings thereon, as if the same had been originally issued by a single justice. Cases pending provided for.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the respective chief judges of said courts, and they are hereby required forthwith to return to the clerk of said county, the dockets kept by the said courts, and it shall be the duty of the said clerk, upon the application of the plaintiff, or plaintiffs, his, her, or their agent or attorney, to make out a true copy of any judgment, where the sum for which the same is rendered does Dockets to be returned.

Clerks shall give copies.