may, after the first day of May next institute or bring any suit or action at law in any county court of this state, or other court having the jurisdiction of a county court, the sum of fifty cents, to be paid to the clerk of the court in which such suit or action may be instituted or brought, at the time of instituting or bringing the same, and shall be taxed and allowed in the costs of such suit or action; and the bond of such clerk shall be answerable therefor, and he shall on or before the first day of November in each and every year, settle his account for all money by him so received, on oath or affirmation, with the treasurer of his shore, and shall pay the sum adjusted to the said treasurer within thirty days after such settlement under the penalty of paying twenty per cent. on the money in his hands; and every such clerk may retain at the rate of six per cent. for his trouble in receiving and paying the said tax according to this act.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That all and every act or acts of Repeal. assembly regulating amerciaments and directing the manner of their collection and application, that is to say, the eleventh and twelfth sections of the act of seventeen hundred and fifteen, chapter forty-one, the first and second sections of the act of seventeen hundred and twenty-two, chapter twelve, and the second section of the act of February session, seventeen hundred and seventy-seven, chapter six, shall be and they hereby are repealed.

## CHAPTER 198.

An Act to authorize warranting on Constables' Bonds.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, Warrant That from and after the passage of this act, in all cases where authorized. any constable is defaulted for any sum or sums of money, or has collected any sum or sums of money, and refuses or neglects to pay over the same to the person or persons entitled thereto where the sum or sums does not exceed fifty dollars, it shall be lawful for the person or persons to whom the money is due, or their agent or attorney, to apply to any justice of the peace of the county, who shall issue his warrant against the constable and his securities in the usual form, and upon trial may give judgment for the amount due, and costs, against the constable and his securities, in the same manner as if the securities were bound in a joint and several note with the constable, which judgment or judgments shall be in all respects upon the same footing with other judgments of similar amount, with respect to the right of supersedeas, appeal, and the manner of enforcing the collection thereof.