23. If any person shall be sued or prosecuted for any thing done in pursuance of this law, or any thing therein contained, he may plead the general issue and give the special matter in evidence; and if upon trial a verdict shall be found for defendant, or the plaintiff be non-suit or discontinue, the defendant shall recover treble costs, and if the plaintiff shall be unable to pay them, they shall, unless the plaintiff shall give security for the costs to be approved by the court, be paid by the attorney who brought the suit.

BAILIFFS.

24. The bailiffs to the Circuit Court for said county shall be entitled to one dollar a day for each day they shall attend said court, and if they reside more than six miles from the court, to ten cents a mile for every mile over six they shall travel going to said court; but no bailiff shall receive more than one dollar for mileage for any one day.

25. The county commissioners of said county shall annually levy a sum of money sufficient to pay said bailiffs, and the sum so levied, when collected, shall be deposited in the Planters Bank of Prince George's county, and a certificate signed by the clerk of the Circuit Court, and expressing the number of days any bailiff may have served and the sum due for such services, shall be sufficient authority to the cashier of said bank to pay the amount therein specified; and the balance, if any, remaining at the end of the year shall be applied by the justice to the use of the county.

BLADENSBURG.

26. The citizens of the village of Bladensburg, in Prince George's county, are a body corporate, by the name of " President and Commissioners of the Village of Bladensburg," and by that name may sue and be sued, and may have and use a common seal.

27. The limits of Bladensburg shall be as described on a plat thereof filed among the proceedings of the commissioners of said village.

28. All free white male citizens of said village above twenty-one years of age, who shall have resided in said village four months, and twelve months in this State, next preceding the