CHAPTER 434.

AN ACT to extend the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in and for Dorchester, Kent, Caroline, Calvert, Carroll, Queen Anne's, Anne Arundel, Prince George's, Harford, Charles and Worcester Counties, to cases of assault and battery.

Extend jurisdiction. Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Justices of the Peace in and for Dorchester, Kent, Caroline, Calvert, Carroll, Queen Anne's, Anne Arundel, Prince George's, Harford, Charles and Worcester Counties, shall have jurisdiction over and may take cognizance of all actions of assault and battery in which the damages claimed do not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars; and also criminal jurisdiction in all cases of assault and battery committed in said counties, unless it shall appear to the said Justices of the Peace, upon the hearing of the case, that the said assault and battery was committed with intent to kill.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That in all cases hereafter tried under this Act before the Justices of the Peace in and for the counties above named, either party shall be allowed an appeal to the Circuit Court of the county in which the offence was committed, where they shall be tried de novo, and all such appeals shall be taken in such mauner as is now provided for by law in other cases of appeals from judgments of Justices of the Peace.

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CHAPTER 435.

AN ACT to amend Section one hundred and forty, Article nine, of the Code of Public Local Laws for Charles County, title "Sheriff," by adding an additional clause to said section, regulating the compensation of the Sheriff for prisoners confined in jail.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section one hundred and forty,

Appeal.