

CHAP. 189. *tion after such new election, according to the constitution and form of government, that in such case this alteration and amendment of the constitution and form of government, shall constitute and be valid as a part thereof, and every thing therein contained repugnant to, or inconsistent with, this alteration and amendment, shall be repealed and abolished.*

*This act was confirmed by 1818, ch. 159.*

## CHAP. CXC.

Passed Feb 14 1818 *An Act relating to the Police of the City of Baltimore. Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 124.*

City Court authorized to appoint constables

\* Ch. 146

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the judges of Baltimore City Court shall have and exercise exclusively hereafter, except as is excepted in the act\*, entitled. An act relating to the city of Baltimore, the power of appointing constables in and for that part of Baltimore county included within the limits of the city, and removing them at pleasure; and the constables so appointed shall take and subscribe the oath of office prescribed by law, before the said court, or one of the judges thereof, and shall also give bond for the faithful performance of their duties, in such penalty and with such security as the said court shall direct and approve, with bonds shall be filed with and recorded by the clerk of said court, who shall be entitled to receive from such constable one dollar for filing and recording each bond; copies of which, under the seal of office, shall be evidence in all cases whatever, and may be sued upon by any corporation or individual interested therein.

Cruelty to animals may be punished

2. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That if any person or persons shall wilfully cause or procure any bull-baiting, cock-fighting or the fighting of dogs, within the city of Baltimore, or shall wilfully and wickedly kill, cripple, or commit acts of cruelty upon animals in the city aforesaid, or any of the streets, lanes or alleys thereof, every such person, and those aiding therein, shall be liable to prosecution and punishment in Baltimore City Court as for other misdemeanors, or at the election of the accused the matter may be tried before either of the judges of said court, and upon the conviction punished as aforesaid; and if the offence be committed by a slave, the court or judge before whom it shall be tried, may in lieu of other punishment order that of whipping, not exceeding thirty-nine stripes.

## CHAP. CXCI.

Passed Feb 13, 1818 *An Act authorising the Levy Court of Baltimore County to levy a sum of money for repairing and rebuilding certain Bridges in said County, and for the purposes therein mentioned. Lib. TH. No. 6, fol. 125.*

Levy for building bridges

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy court of Baltimore county shall and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to assess and levy on the assessable property of said county, such sum as they shall ascertain to be necessary, to repair or rebuild the bridges at Cromwell's Ford, at the Belle-Air Road, and at Patterson's Mills, over the Great Falls of Camp Meier, and the bridge over the Patapsco Falls at Allen's Mill, where the old bridge formerly stood, which were injured or destroyed by the late flood in those streams, and to appoint some ju-