

CHAP. 66.

13. AND BE IT ENACTED, That each of the judges shall, out of court, have, use and exercise, all and singular the power, jurisdiction and authority, that might or could have been done by any judge of the late general court, of the former court of appeals, or by any chief justice of a district court.

Powers of the judges out of court.

Clerks of the court of appeals, how to be appointed.

14. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no appointment of the clerks of the court of appeals for the western or eastern shore shall be made, until all the judges of said court shall be present, or shall, by writing, declare his or their preference in favour of any particular candidate for the said office of clerk.

Fees of the clerks of the court of appeals.

15. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the clerks of the courts of appeals for the western and eastern shore respectively, shall have the same fees for their services as the clerks of the county courts were entitled to for the same or similar services by law.

Fees of attorneys.

16. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all attorneys practising in the court of appeals of this state, shall be entitled to receive the same fees as attorneys were entitled to receive in the late general court.

Writs of error, how returnable when issued before the judges of the court of appeals qualify.

17. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all writs of error which have issued, or shall issue, from and after the passing of this act, and before the judges of the court of appeals shall have qualified under their respective commissions, shall be returnable to the first day of the first court of appeals for the eastern or western shore respectively to be held next after the passing of this act, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Books, deeds, records, &c. of the late general court to be deposited in the office of the clerk of the court of appeals of the shore.—How copies of such records are to be authenticated, &c.

18. AND BE IT ENACTED, That hereafter all the books, deeds, transcripts of deeds, bonds, papers, records and proceedings, together with the records of the laws and the land records of the general court for the western shore, shall be deposited and lodged in the office of the clerk of the court of appeals for the western shore, and shall be safely and securely kept, in the same manner as the books, papers and records, of the court of appeals for the western shore shall be kept; and the books, deeds, transcripts of deeds, bonds, papers, records and proceedings, together with the land records of the general court for the eastern shore, shall be deposited and lodged in the office of the clerk of the court of appeals for the eastern shore, and shall be safely and securely kept in the same manner as the books, papers and records, of the court of appeals for the eastern shore shall be kept, and thereafter all copies, transcripts and exemplifications, of such records, drawn and made out in due form of law, and authenticated by the clerk of the court of appeals of the respective shores, and certified in the manner directed by law, shall be of the same force, effect and validity, to every intent and purpose whatever, and shall have the same operation in law, as copies, transcripts and exemplifications, heretofore drawn, made out and authenticated, by either clerk of the general court, and certified in the manner prescribed by law.

Where chancellor is interested chief judge of the district to decree, &c.

19. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in all cases where the chancellor is or may be interested, and where bills in chancery may properly lie, the chief judge of the district in which the chancery court shall sit, shall hear, determine, order and decree thereon, in the same manner as if such chief judge was the chancellor, and an appeal may lie in such cases from the decree of the judge to the court of appeals, who may hear and determine in the same as on appeals from the chancery court; *Provided*, that the process