

the year 1899, and which is referred to by \*the makers of Almanacs. 780 There are, however, some parts of the calendar which are not necessary to be continued. These are the lessons for morning and evening prayer, which, under our constitution are to be considered as matters to be regulated by religious societies themselves, and not by law. The same may be said as to the moveable feasts and holy-days, (excepting by custom, Easter and Whitsuntide,) and as to all the feasts throughout the year, except Sundays and Christmas day. The same as to the vigils, fasts and days of abstinence; also the solemn days for which particular services were appointed, to wit: The 5th of November, the 30th of January and the 29th of May, respecting which we have ceased to feel any interest." Kilty Rep. 252.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This Statute is in force here, *Munshower v. State*, 55 Md. 24, where it was also held that an ordinary almanac is admissible to prove at what hour the moon rose on a particular night.

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#### CAP. XLIV.

**An Act for the rendering Justices of the Peace more safe in the Execution of their Office; and for indemnifying Constables and others acting in Obedience to their Warrants.**

II. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for such Justice of the Peace, at any Time within one Calendar Month after such Notice given as aforesaid, to tender Amends to the Party complaining, or to his or her Agent or Attorney; and in case the same is not accepted, to plead such Tender in bar to any Action to be brought against him, grounded on such Writ or Process, together with the Plea of Not Guilty, and any other Plea, with the Leave of the Court; and if upon Issue joined thereon the Jury shall find the Amends so tendered to have been sufficient, then they shall give a Verdict for the Defendant; and in such case, or in case the Plaintiff shall become nonsuit, or shall discontinue his or her Action, or in case Judgment shall be given for such Defendant or Defendants upon Demurrer, such Justice shall be intitled to the like Costs as he would have been intitled unto in case he had pleaded the General Issue only; and if upon Issue so joined the Jury shall find that no Amends were tendered, or that the same were not sufficient, and also against