before any Action brought thereupon; and if the Bond so taken and assigned be forfeited, the Avowant, or Person making Conuzance, may bring an Action and recover thereupon in his own Name; and the Court where such Action shall be brought may by a Rule of the same Court, give such Relief to the Parties upon such Bond, as may be agreeable to Justice and Reason; and such Rule shall have the Nature and Effect of a Defeazance to such Bond.

- I. Preamble. Landlords may distrain and sell Goods fraudulently carried off the Premisses,
 - II. unless sold to any Person not privy to the Fraud.
 - III. Penalty on the said Fraud, or assisting thereto.
- IV. If the Goods exceed not the value of 50l., Landlords to have Recourse to 2 Justices.
 - V. Appeal from them to the Quarter Sessions.
 - VI. The 2 Justices Order, on such Appeal, not to be executed.
- 744 *VII. Landlords may break open Houses to seize Goods fraudulently secured therein;
- VIII. and may distrain Stock or Cattle on the Premisses, for Arrears of Rent.
- IX. Tenants to have Notice of the Place where the Distress is lodged. Distress of Corn, &c., to cease, if rent be paid before it be cut.
 - X. Distresses may be secured, and sold on the Premisses.
 - XI. Attornment of Tenants void. Exception.
 - XII. Against Tenants secreting Ejectments.
- XIII. Landlord impowered to make himself Defendant by joining with the Tenant, &c.
 - XIV. Rents how to be recovered where the Demises are not by Deed.
- XV. Rents recoverable from Under-Tenant; where Tenants for Life die before the Lease is expired.
 - XVI. Provision for Landlords, where Tenants desert the Premisses.
 - XVII. Tenants may appeal from the Justices.
- -XVIII. Tenants holding Premisses after the time they notify for quitting them, to pay double Rent for such time.
- XIX. Distress for Rent not unlawful, &c., for any Irregularity in the Disposition of them;
 - XX. nor Tenants to recover by Action, on Tender of Amends.
- XXI. In Actions against Persons intitled to Rents, the Defendants may plead the General Issue, &c.
- XXII. Defendants in Replevin to make Conuzance, that the Plaintiff held the Premisses at a certain Rent, &c.
 - XXIII. To prevent vexatious Replevins.

In the special verdict in Calvert's lessee v. Eden, 2 H. & McH. 290, it was found that this Statute extended to Maryland.

I. II. Following distress.—The Statute extends only to cases where the landlord has a reversion in the premises, for if he assign his whole in-