

An. Code, sec. 124. 1904, sec. 113. 1888, sec. 83. 1835, ch. 319, sec. 3.

**143.** When any person shall be convicted of any statutory felony or misdemeanor, for the false or fraudulent obtention or embezzlement, secreting or making way with goods, chattels, valuable effects, money or securities, the court before whom any such conviction shall be had may award restitution to the real owner thereof; provided, however, that no *bona fide* holder thereof shall be obliged to surrender up the same.

See section 318.

An. Code, sec. 125. 1904, sec. 114. 1888, sec. 84. 1888, ch. 280.

**144.** Every person who by any false pretense shall obtain from any club, association, society or company for improving the breed of cattle, horses, sheep, swine and other domestic animals a certificate of registration of any animal in the herd register or other register of any such club, association, society or company, or a transfer of any such registration, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars.

An. Code, sec. 126. 1904, sec. 115. 1892, ch. 142, sec. 84A.

**145.** Any person who shall by any false and fraudulent representation in writing, signed by him as to his own or his partner's pecuniary responsibility, wealth or mercantile correspondence or connections, obtain any loan of money or of property from any person, persons, copartnership or corporation and shall thereby defraud such person, persons, copartnership or corporation, or who shall cause or procure another to make any false and fraudulent representation in writing, signed by the person making the same, as to the pecuniary responsibility, wealth or mercantile correspondence, or connections of the person who shall cause or procure such false representation to be made, or of any other person, and shall thereby obtain any loan of money or of property from any person, persons, copartnership or corporation, and shall thereby defraud such person, persons, copartnership or corporation, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be sentenced to return the money or property so fraudulently obtained, and shall be fined not exceeding two thousand dollars, or shall be confined in the jail of the county or the city of Baltimore, as the case may be, not exceeding one year, or shall be both fined and imprisoned as aforesaid, in the discretion of the court.

An. Code, sec. 126A. 1916, ch. 370.

**146.** Any person, who shall knowingly make or cause to be made, either directly or indirectly, or through any agency whatsoever, any false statement in writing, with intent that it shall be relied upon, respecting the financial condition, or means or ability to pay, of himself, or any other person, firm or corporation, in whom he is interested, or for whom he is acting, for the purpose of procuring in any form whatsoever, either the delivery of personal property, the payment of cash, the making of a loan or credit, the extension of a credit, the discount of an account receivable, or the making, acceptance, discount, sale or endorsement of a bill of ex-