

of all the courts, commissioner of the land office, coroners, criers, registers of wills, surveyors and sheriffs.

1861, ch. 53. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 237.

386. The Sheriff may distrain or execute the goods and chattels of any person against whom any fees are placed in his hands for collection; provided, he has sixty days previously delivered to such person, or left at his place of abode, an account of such fees.

WITNESSES, DOCKET ENTRIES, RECORDS.

1878, ch. 28. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 238. 1898, ch. 123. 1900, ch. 279.

387. Witnesses attending any of the Courts of Baltimore City, except the Criminal Court of Baltimore, shall be entitled to fifty cents a day, and in the Criminal Court shall not be entitled to said allowance, except by the express order of the Court, and only in such cases as the Court in its discretion may deem proper. But any of the Courts of Baltimore City may, in its discretion, allow itinerant charges to out-of-town witnesses.

1884, ch. 23. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 239.

388. In any suit now pending, or hereafter to depend, in any court in the City of Baltimore, wherein a transcript of the record of any cause in any other court in the City of Baltimore might be offered in evidence, it shall be sufficient to produce the docket entries and original papers and proceedings in said last-mentioned cause, or the record book in which the same have been recorded, and if required by law to be recorded, and actually recorded, and offer the same in evidence; and the same, when so produced and offered in evidence, shall have the same effect, to all intents and purposes, as a transcript of the record thereof, under the seal of the court wherein the same are; and such production may be had by any party to a suit upon a *subpoena duces tecum* issued to the clerk of the court wherein such docket entries, original papers and proceedings may be.

Kilbourn v. Goldsmith, 46 Md. 289.

COSTS.

1882, ch. 354. P. L. L. (1860), Art. 4, sec. 159½. P. L. L. (1888), Art. 4, sec. 240.

389. In all actions at law for wrongs, independent of contracts, in any of the courts of Baltimore City, where the verdict or inquisition of damages after default made shall be for a sum less than fifty dollars, the costs shall be adjudged to the defendant, unless the Court shall otherwise determine; but the Court, before allowing costs to the plaintiff in such case, shall be satisfied that he had good reason for not bringing suit before a Justice of the Peace; and in all cases of appeals whatsoever from judgments of Justices of the Peace in Baltimore City, costs shall be allowed to plaintiff or defendant, in the discretion of the Court; provided, that in