

laration and of said affidavit, he shall be entitled to a judgment for the amount so claimed, with interest and costs, forty days after such service unless the defendant shall file a plea which if in bar is accompanied by an affidavit of defense denying the right of the plaintiff as to the whole or some specified part of his claim specially stating also, in precise and distinct terms, the ground of his defense, which must be such, as would, if true, be sufficient to defeat the plaintiff's claim in whole or in part; and where the defendant shall have acknowledged in his affidavit of defense his liability for a part of the plaintiff's claim as aforesaid, the plaintiff, if he so elect may have judgment entered in his favor for the amount so confessed to be due. Any judge of the Circuit Court is hereby authorized, either in vacation or term time, to enter judgment under this section where no affidavit of defense is filed and to hear motion for judgment and to enter judgment thereon where insufficient affidavits are filed.

Notice shall be given at the bottom of the declaration and in the summons in such cases where the plaintiff intends to claim the benefits of this section.

#### COBB ISLAND.

1929, ch. 214, sec. 1.

**40.** The citizens of the town of Cobb Island, in Charles County, Maryland, are hereby created a body corporate, in the name of the Town Commissioners of Cobb Island, with all the powers and privileges of a body politic and corporate, and by said corporate name may have perpetual succession, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded against in any court of law or equity in said county, and may have and use a common seal.

1929, ch. 214, sec. 2.

**41.** The corporate limits of said town of Cobb Island shall contain all the land known as Cobb Island and bounded by Neales Creek, the Wicomico River and the Potomac River.

1929, ch. 214, sec. 3.

**42.** The citizens of said town of Cobb Island having the qualifications prescribed for voters by the laws of this State, or having owned property in said town six months previous to any municipal election, shall annually on the first Monday in May elect three citizens, taxpayers of said town of Cobb Island, who are assessed on the tax books of said Charles County as owning five hundred (\$500.00) dollars worth of property within the corporate limits of said town of Cobb Island who shall have resided in said town for twelve months next preceding said election, as the Town Commissioners of Cobb Island to serve for one year, from June 1st next succeeding their election or until their successors shall be elected and qualified. Said Town Commissioners shall receive no pay for their services as such, and they shall continue to reside in said town during their term of office; provided, however, that there shall be no election of Town Commis-