

original owner of such horses, hogs, sheep, and black cattle; and if any remain unsold, they shall be considered and treated as estrays under the laws of this State.

P. L. L. (1888), Art. 1, sec. 237. 1860, Art. 1, sec. 169.

**636.** If any person residing in Allegany County shall claim any right and ownership to any horse, hog, sheep, or black cattle distrained as aforesaid, he shall, before some justice of the peace of the county, make oath that the same is *bona fide* his property, and that he did not acquire right thereto for the purpose of defeating the foregoing provisions of this subtitle of this Article; and on making such oath, the justice shall certify the same under his hand and seal; and the owner, on presenting said certificate to the person having made the distress, shall be entitled to the property taken.

### WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

P. L. L. (1888), Art. 1, sec. 238. 1872, ch. 139.

**637.** The standard of weights and measures of Allegany County shall be in the custody of the County Commissioners, who shall either place them in charge of their clerk or of a keeper annually appointed by them.

P. L. L. (1888), Art. 1, sec. 239. 1872, ch. 139.

**638.** If the clerk has charge of said standard, he shall, on application at his office, try, correct, brand, make and stamp weights and measures thereby, and shall receive ten cents for each weight, measure or scale beam adjusted, to be paid by the person making application.

P. L. L. (1888), Art. 1, sec. 240. 1872, ch. 139.

**639.** If a keeper be appointed he shall perform such duties as are required by law of such officers, or so much thereof as the County Commissioners shall deem necessary, and he shall be entitled to such compensation as they may establish, and shall give bond in the penalty of three hundred dollars for the safe keeping of such standard and the performance of the duties of his office.

### WESTERNPORT.\*

P. L. L. (1888), Art. 1, sec. 241. 1886, ch. 33. 1920, ch. 714, sec. 2.

**640.** The citizens of the Town of Westernport, in Allegany County, are constituted and made a body corporate, by the name of "The Mayor and Commissioners of Westernport," and by that name may sue and be

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\*Westernport was incorporated by ch. 33, 1886, but new charter enacted in 1920. Ch. 196, 1916, authorizes Westernport to issue \$20,000 of improvement bonds; ch. 103, 1927, authorizes Westernport to issue \$200,000 of general improvement bonds.