#### 1927, ch. 613, sec. 2.

166. The Clerk of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County is hereby authorized to let on contract the execution of the work of re-indexing as aforementioned as a whole, subject to the approval of the Judges of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County.

### 1927, ch. 613, sec. 3.

167. The costs of said re-indexing shall be paid by the Clerk of the Circuit Court out of the excess fees of his office for the fiscal year ending October 1st of the year in which the contract for said work is let and out of the excess fees, of his office, for the two succeeding fiscal years following the year in which said contract is let, after the payment of all office expenses, and salary of said Clerk and his deputies shall have been paid.

### 1927, ch. 613, sec. 4.

168. The said Clerk of the Circuit Court is hereby authorized together with a committee of the Montgomery County Bar Association, not to exceed four members thereof, to investigate the various systems of modern indexes now in vogue in Maryland, and adjoining States for the purpose of determining the best system to install in said Clerk's office and for this purpose, the said Clerk is authorized and directed to pay the traveling and other expenses, incidental thereto of himself and said Committee out of the excess fees of his office for the fiscal year ending October 1st, 1927, a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars.

#### ORAL TESTIMONY IN CHANCERY CASES.

# 1924, ch. 526, sec. 1.

169. If the Circuit Court for Montgomery County in the exercise of its sound discretion to serve the ends of justice shall so order on application of a party in interest or of its own motion, instead of the mode of taking testimony in Chancery as provided for in Section 269 to 277, both inclusive, of Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws, the testimony shall be taken orally in open Court before the judge or judges thereof in the same manner and under the same rules as testimony is now taken in actions at law, as to all or any of the facts or matters relevant in the cause or proceeding; and the evidence so taken shall be written down as delivered by the witnesses by such person and in such manner as the Court may have by order or general rule directed, and when so written down, with such documentary proof as shall have been with it offered and admitted, be filed as part of the proceedings.

# 1924, ch. 526, sec. 2.

170. Testimony produced under the aforegoing section shall be taken in the same manner and under the same rules as testimony is taken in actions at law in Courts of general jurisdiction in this State, and no evidence to which objection has been made and sustained by the Court shall