

crier of the superior court, and the crier of the court of common pleas of Baltimore city.

Approved and in force April 23, 1870.

CITY HALL.

1870, c. 303 entitled an act to authorize the mayor and city council of Baltimore to issue its bonds to defray the expenses of the building of the new city hall enacts:

1. That the mayor and city council of Baltimore is authorized to issue the bonds of the said mayor and city council of Baltimore to an amount not exceeding the sum of one million of dollars, in addition to the one million of dollars which it was authorized to issue by the act of assembly of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter three hundred and ninety-one, the proceeds of the sales of said bonds authorized to be issued, to be used in the construction of the new city hall, now being erected in said city of Baltimore; which bonds so to be issued, together with interest thereon, shall be made payable at such times as shall be determined by the said mayor and city council of Baltimore, which is further authorized to make such provision for the ultimate redemption of the principal of said bonds, and for the payment of the interest thereon, as to it shall seem best.

2 That before any of the bonds mentioned in the preceding section of this act shall be issued, the ordinance of the mayor and city council of Baltimore authorizing the same shall have been submitted to and approved by the legal voters of the said city, in accordance with the provisions of the seventh section of article eleven of the constitution of Maryland.

3. That all acts or parts of acts of assembly inconsistent herewith, and especially the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, chapter one, [391,] entitled "an act authorizing the mayor and city council of Baltimore to build a new city hall," are repealed.

Approved and in force ———.

COURTS.

1870, c. 177 entitled an act to change the jurisdiction of the supreme bench of Baltimore city, and re-apportion and enlarge the jurisdiction of the Baltimore city court, the superior court of Baltimore city and the court of common pleas, as provided by section thirty-nine of article four of the constitution, enacts that the following sections be added to the fourth article of public local laws, to be arranged under sub-title "Courts," to follow section one hundred and seventy-three, and be numbered as sub-sections one and two:

173. Sub-Sec. 1. The judge, before whom any case may hereafter be tried, in either the Baltimore city court, the superior court of Baltimore city, or in the court of common pleas, shall have exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine, and the said judge shall hear and determine all motions for a new trial where such motions arise, either on questions of fact or for

1870, c. 177
Jurisdiction.

Motions for
new trial and
in arrest of
judgment, &c.