

and the register of wills shall be entitled to receive, for making such entry of each claim, the sum of ten cents, to be paid by the claimant.

Art 93, s 115
1854, c 86, s 2
Of what entry
evidence

166. The claims thus entered, shall not afford any evidence as to the justness or correctness of any debt therein entered, whenever the same shall be controverted by any administrator in any suit instituted for the recovery of such debt; nor shall the same be construed to take any debt out of the operation of a plea of limitations.

LIMITATIONS.

Art 93, s 99
1798, c 101,
sub-c 9, s 9
Not bound to
plead limita-
tions
24 Md 214, 25
Md 575, 26 Md
313, 35 Md 148

167. It shall not be considered as the duty of an administrator to avail himself of the act of limitations to bar what he supposes to be a just claim, but the same shall be left to his honesty and discretion.

DISPUTED CLAIMS.

Art 93, s 100.
1798, c 101,
sub-c 9, s 13.
May dispute
claims, although
proven
30 Md 553.

168. No administrator shall be obliged to discharge any claim of which vouchers and proofs shall be exhibited as aforesaid, but may reject, and at law dispute, the same, in case he shall have reason to believe that the deceased never owed the debt, or had discharged the same or a part thereof, or had a claim in bar.

Id s 101
1802, c 101, s 9
Though passed,
to be proven if
disputed at law
30 Md 553

169. In no case shall the order made by the Orphans' Court or register of wills that an account or claim will pass when paid be deemed of validity to establish such claim or account, but in case the administrator thinks fit to contest the same, such account or claim shall derive no validity from the order aforesaid, but shall be proved in the same manner as if no such order had been made.

PAYMENT OF DEBTS.

Id s 102
1798, c 101,
sub-c 8, s 14
When adminis-
trator to make
distribution of
money in hand
8 Md 487, 517,
10 Md 362, 15
Md 127, 21 Md
209

170. An administrator shall within thirteen months from the date of his letters, or within such further time, not exceeding four months longer, as shall be allowed by the Orphans' Court, on his making oath that he hath reason to apprehend that the personal estate and assets which are or shall be in his hands will be insufficient to discharge the just debts of and claims against the deceased, discharge all just claims known to him or pay each claimant his just proportion of the money then in his hands (retaining as herein directed); it shall likewise be his duty once in every term of six months after the first distribution, to make a distribution of the money which hath since come to his hands, until he shall have fully administered, and on failure, his administration bond may be put in suit

Id s 103.
1798, c 101,
sub-c 8, s 16
Administrator
may give notice
of dividend

Creditor failing
to attend, inter-
est shall cease.

171. In all cases where an administrator is to make payment or distribution amongst the creditors of his decedent he may give notice three successive weeks previously in some convenient newspaper, of the time and place for making it, and in case the creditor shall not attend in person or by agent or attorney to receive the amount or proportionable part of his claim, all interest on such