

Id s 20  
1845, c 287, s 2  
Where con-  
tractor has filed  
claim, how  
creditor of con-  
tractor may  
come in

**20.** Where a claim is filed by a contractor or builder who is indebted for work done or materials furnished at his request or on his account, the person or persons to whom he may be indebted shall have the benefit of such lien, and may, by petition, claim to be paid the amount due him or them by such contractor or builder out of the moneys to be received for such claim or lien; and the same shall be apportioned in such manner and form and by such proceedings as shall be equitable and just.

Id s 21  
1838, c 205, s 12  
How claims to  
be filed against  
more buildings  
than one  
3 Md 168

**21.** In every case in which one claim for materials shall be filed by the person preferring the same against two or more buildings owned by the same person, the person filing such joint claim shall at the same time designate the amount he claims to be due him on each of said buildings, otherwise such claim shall be postponed to other lien creditors; and the lien of such claimant shall not extend beyond the amount so designated, as against other creditors having liens by judgment, mortgage, or otherwise.

1868, c 23  
Machines,  
wharves, and  
bridges subject  
to lien  
9 Md 184, 11  
Md 89  
15 Howard, 267  
3 Md Ch 210

#### LIENS AGAINST MACHINES, WHARVES, AND BRIDGES.

**22.** Every machine, wharf, and bridge erected, constructed or repaired, within this State, shall be subject to a lien, in like manner as buildings are made subject under the provisions of this article.

Art 61, s 23  
1838, c 205, s 13  
How long to  
continue with-  
out claim being  
filed  
3 Md 168, 14  
Md 298, 15 Md  
1, 92 Md 130,  
43 Md 143, 44  
Md 312, 455

**23.** Every such debt shall be a lien until after the expiration of six months after the work has been finished, or the materials furnished, although no claim has been filed therefor, but no longer, unless a claim shall be filed at or before the expiration of that period

#### PROCEEDINGS.

1868, c 23  
Bill in equity or  
*scire facias*

**24.** The proceedings to recover the amount of any lien under this article, whether upon a house, machine, wharf, bridge, boat, or vessel, shall be by bill in equity or by *scire facias*.

Art 61, s 25  
1838, c 205, s 14  
Proceeding by  
bill in equity  
43 Md 143, 44  
Md 458, 46 Md  
573

**25.** If the proceeding is by bill in equity, the same proceedings shall be had as used by the courts of equity to enforce other liens, and the court shall decree a sale, and appoint a trustee to make sale thereof, and shall apportion the proceeds of such sale among the persons entitled to liens according to their respective rights

Id s 26  
1838, c 205, s 14  
Proceeding by  
*scire fa*

**26.** If the proceeding to enforce such lien is by *scire facias*, the *scire facias* shall recite the filing of the claim, with the name of the owner of the property to be affected by the lien, the name of the claimant, and the amount of the claim, and the date of filing the same, with the usual clause of *scire facias*, to the persons to be affected by such writ.

Id s 27  
1838, c 205, s 15,  
1845, c 287, s 10  
When *scire fa*  
to be issued

**27.** No *scire facias* on such claim shall be issued in the city of Baltimore within fifteen days, nor in any county within thirty days from the return day of such writ.

Id s 28  
1838, c 205, s 16  
How writ to  
be served

**28.** The said writ shall be served in the same manner as other writs of *scire facias* upon the defendant therein named, if he can be found within the city or county, and a copy thereof shall be left