

1888, ch. 444.

3. If the woman so injured shall be a *feme sole* under the age of eighteen years she may prosecute such action of slander by her *prochein ami*.

Ibid.

4. The husband of any female may prosecute and sustain an action of slander against any person for words falsely and maliciously spoken subsequently to her marriage, touching her character or reputation for chastity before or during her marriage.

Hemming v. Elliott, 66 Md. 200.

ARTICLE LXXXIX.

STATISTICS AND INFORMATION AS TO BRANCHES OF INDUSTRY.

1. Bureau of, established. | 2 Appropriation for expenses of.

1884, ch. 211, secs. 1-2.

1. A bureau to collect statistics and information concerning the various branches of industry practised in this State, and the needs thereof, and the abuses which exist therein, shall be established and maintained; and the chief of said bureau, to be appointed by the governor, by and with the consent of the senate, shall make full report thereof to the general assembly at each session thereof.

Ibid. sec. 3. 1888, ch. 173.

2. The sum of five thousand dollars is hereby annually appropriated to pay the salaries and the expenses necessary to the execution of the duties imposed upon the said bureau by this article, and the said money, hereby annually appropriated, is hereby directed to be paid by the treasurer of this State, upon the warrant of the comptroller, in such sums and at such times as the governor of this State shall, from time to time, direct by his order in writing.