CHAPTER 173.

AN ACT to repeal section twenty-five of article thirty-eight of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Fees of Officers," sub-title "Notaries Public," and to re-enact the same with amendments, and to legalize acts of Comptrollers Leonard and Woolford, so far as they appertain to notaries public of the city of Baltimore.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section twenty-five of article thirty-eight of the Code of Public General Laws, Repealed and title "Fees of Officers," sub-title "Notaries Public," re-enacted. be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

SEC. 25. The three last preceding sections shall Shall not apnot apply to "notaries" in any of the counties unless ply. the fees on protests in any one year shall exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, nor to "notaries" in the city of Baltimore unless the fees on protests in any one year shall exceed the sum of five fees. hundred dollars; and whenever the fees as aforesaid shall exceed in any of the counties the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, or shall exceed in the city of Baltimore the sum of five hundred dollars, one- Surplus shall half of the surplus shall be paid to the Treasurer of be paid. the State.

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SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the acts of Comptrollers Leonard and Woolford, in allowing the "no-trollers ratitaries public" of the city of Baltimore to retain five fied. hundred dollars per annum before accounting for the one-half the fees to the State, under their construction of the act of eighteen hundred and sixtyeight, not repealing the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, so far as it appertained to "notaries public" of the city of Baltimore, be and are hereby ratified.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That this act shall In force. take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 27, 1878.