

**Chapter 408.**

AN ACT to subscribe for copies of Gans' Digest of Maryland Statutes and Decisions on Criminal Law, and to regulate the distribution thereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the state librarian be and he is hereby authorized and directed to subscribe in the name of the State for three hundred copies of the Digest of Maryland Statutes and Decisions on Criminal Law, prepared by Edgar H. Gans, at three dollars per copy, and the treasurer is hereby authorized and required, on the warrant of the comptroller, which he shall issue on receipt of a certificate from the state librarian that the said copies have been delivered to said librarian, to pay the said Edgar H. Gans the sum of nine hundred dollars.

Librarian to  
subscribe.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That copies of the said Digest shall be distributed as follows: To the court of appeals, one copy for the office, and one for each of the judges thereof; to each of the associate judges of the circuit courts of the several counties, to the chief judge and each of the associate judges of the court of the supreme bench of Baltimore city, one copy; to the clerk of the criminal court of Baltimore, one copy; to the clerks of the circuit courts for the several counties, each one copy; to the attorney-general, one copy; to the state's attorney of the several counties, each one copy, and to the police justices of Baltimore city, each one copy, and the remainder to be kept in the library, to be distributed or exchanged under the direction of the library committee appointed under the act of eighteen hundred and seventy, chapter two hundred and seventy-two; provided that at least twenty-five copies be retained in the state library, unless otherwise distributed by an act of the general assembly.

How to be dis-  
tributed.

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

Effective.

Approved April 8, 1884.