Justices of the Peace in Washington county, Maryland, the defendant shall be sued in the district in which he resides, unless the contract was made or damage done in another district of said county, when suit may be brought in said district, or unless the parties agreed to perform the contract in another district, in which case suit may be brought in said district.

Suits before Justices where brought.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That in case any defendant be sued in any other district than his own, on his written or personal application to the Justice of the Peace before whom the suit was brought, such Justice, upon being satisfied that the place of residence of the defendant is in a different district, shall transmit all the papers in the case to a Justice of the Peace in the district in which the defendant lives, and notify the plaintiff to what Justice of the Peace and Constable the papers have been transmitted; provided, that there is a Justice of the Peace in said district acting and competent to try the case; and, further provided, that if the defendant, upon being sued, does not before trial notify the Justice of his residence in another district, he shall be considered as having waived his right to have the papers transmitted to his own district; and provided, further, that districts number three, twenty-one and twenty-two, comprising Hagerstown and vicinity, shall be regarded as one district for the purpose of this act.

Proceedings.

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