

have been arrested, shall be returnable, and be filed with the other proceedings in such action, and shall in all respects, and to all intents and purposes, be as valid, binding and effectual, as if performed during the regular term in open court. CHAP. 221.

CHAP. CCXXII.

A Further Supplement to the Act, entitled, An Act for enlarging the power of the High Court of Chancery. Passed Mar 12 1827

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all commissions which shall hereafter be issued to take testimony in causes depending in the high court of chancery, or county courts sitting as courts of equity, shall be issued and directed to two persons to be named and appointed by the said court or courts, or any judge thereof, instead of being issued to four commissioners in the manner now prescribed by law. Commissions to take testimony

2. *And be it enacted,* That upon the application of either party, complainant or defendant, in any case depending in the said court, where a commission is now outstanding and unexecuted, and upon affidavit that the same is not intended for delay, the chancellor, or said courts, or any judge thereof, may order that the said outstanding commission be returned, and a new one issued to the said commissioners. Outstanding commissions may be returned

3. *And be it enacted,* That with a view to the speedy execution and return of the said commissioners, and to facilitate the administration of justice, the chancellor, or said courts, or any judge thereof, shall prescribe such rules as the nature of the case may require. Rules to be prescribed

CHAP. CCXXIII.

A Further Supplement to the Act, entitled, An Act to provide for the administration of Justice in the case of Crimes and Misdemeanors in the City and Precincts of Baltimore. Passed Mar 12 1827

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That either of the judges of Baltimore city court, shall have full power and authority to hold said court for the trial of causes, except in cases where a jury is necessary, and to adjourn the same from time to time, in the same manner that the chief judge of said court can now do. Either of the judges to hold court, &c

2. *And be it enacted,* That either of the said judges shall have full power and authority to issue writs of *habeas corpus*, and to hear and determine the questions arising thereon, in the same manner as the chief judge can now do, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. May issue writs of habeas corpus

CHAP. CCXXIV.

An Act to appoint a Warden for the Jail of Baltimore County.

Passed Mar 12 1827

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by the memorial of sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Baltimore, that the sheriffs of Baltimore county, from the multiplicity of other business, cannot pay that personal attention to the safety of the prisoners, the discipline of the jail, and preservation of the public property, which is desirable, and therefore are obliged to intrust these important concerns to a jailer, who may not always have a just regard to the public interests, and that these objects would be much promoted, as well as eco- Preamble