

added to article sixteen of the Code of Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland, title "Montgomery County," and be New sections. annexed under a separate title as "Horses and Carriages at Livery."

1. It shall be lawful for any livery stable keeper in Montgomery county to retain in his custody any horse, mare or gelding placed under his care for livery, and also any vehicle, until all charges for so keeping the same shall have been paid by the owner; and if such owner or agent of his shall, when using such horse, mare, gelding or vehicle, fail to return the same to such livery stable keeper, with intent to evade payment of any livery charges due and unpaid, then it shall be lawful, at any time within thirty days from the date of such failure to return said property, for such livery stable keeper to follow and seize such horse, mare, gelding or vehicle, and to sell the same as provided in section two of this article. Horse or vehicle may be retained until livery charges are paid.

2. It shall be lawful for such livery stable keeper to sell any such horse, mare, gelding or vehicle at public auction for cash, in said Montgomery county, after giving at least three weeks' public notice of the time, place and terms of sale in one or more newspapers published in said county, prior to the day of sale, and after deducting the amount due for keeping, together with all expenses attending such sale, then to pay over the surplus, if any, to the owner. May sell horse or vehicle.

3. Before proceeding to sell such horse, mare, gelding or vehicle as above, it shall be necessary for such livery stable keeper to state an account for the keeping of such horse, mare, gelding or vehicle, and prove the same before a justice of the peace for said Montgomery county, who, upon being satisfied by proof of demand and refusal or neglect to pay on the part of the owner, shall thereupon issue his warrant authorizing such sale as aforesaid; provided, that the proprietor of such livery stable shall set upon his premises, in some conspicuous place, a copy of the two foregoing sections, printed in large type, and his rates of livery. Account to be stated.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect Effective. from the date of its passage.

Approved March 21st, 1894.