## CHAPTER 172.

AN ACT to repeal Section eight of Article nineteen of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Comptroller," and Chapter two hundred and ninety-nine of the Acts of Assembly of eighteen hundred and ninety-two, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section eight of article nineteen of the Code Repeal of Public General Laws, title "Comptroller," and chapter two hundred and ninety-nine of the Acts of Assembly of eighteen hundred and ninety-two, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows:

He may employ a clerk whose compensation shall be Pay of clerks. eighteen hundred dollars per annum, two assistant clerks whose compensation shall be twelve hundred dollars each per annum.

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

Approved March 31st, 1894.

## CHAPTER 173.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments, Section 167 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Courts."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That section 167 of article 4 of the Code of Pub-Repeal lie Local Laws, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Courts," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, so as to read as follows:

167. In any suit, when the cause of action is a contract, whether in writing or not, or whether expressed or implied, the plaintiff, if affidavit or affirmation be made, as hereinafter stated, shall be entitled to judgment, to be entered by the court or the clerk thereof, on motion, in writing, at any time after fifteen days from the return day to which the defendant shall have been summoned, although the defendant may have