In force.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from and after the fourteenth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

## CHAPTER 124.

Passed March AN ACT to add certain additional sections to 7, 1864.

Article fourth of the Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland, relating to Mortgages.

Additional sections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following additional sections be and the same are hereby declared to be a part of all that part of Article fourth of the Public Local Laws which relates to mortgages in the city of Baltimore.

Duty of courts.

Section 1. Where a default of the mortgagers has taken place before the said conveyances have been submitted to the Superior Court of Baltimore city, or Circuit Court for Baltimore city, it shall nevertheless be the duty of either of said courts, upon the submission of the said conveyances to such court, after the said default, to forthwith decree that the mortgaged premises shall be sold, on such terms of sale as to the said court shall seem proper; and to appoint by said decree a Trustee, or Trustees, to make such sale, requiring bond and security for the performance of the trust, as is usual in the case of the sale of mortgaged premises; and the said Trustee, or Trustees, may sell the same agreeably to the terms of the said decree; but before each sale the mortagee, or mortagees, or some of the mortagees, or the executor or administrator of a deceased mortagee, or the assignee or assignees of the mortgage, or one of such assignees, or the executor or administrator of a deceased assignee, shall file in the court in which the said proceedings are pending a statement of the amount of the said mortgage claim remaining due, verifying the same by the oath or affirmation of the party filing the same; and the said affidavit, or affirmation, may be made before any of the persons mentioned in section seven hundred