

**CHAP. 205.** other lien creditors, and the lien of such claimant shall not extend beyond the amount so designated, as against other creditors having liens by judgment, mortgage, or otherwise.

The debt a lien for 6 months without claims filed.

Sec. 13. *And be it enacted*, That every such debt shall be a lien as aforesaid, until the expiration of six months after the work shall have been finished, or materials furnished, although no claim shall have been filed therefor, but such lien shall not continue longer than the said period of six months, unless a claim be filed as aforesaid, at or before the expiration of the same period.

Proceedings to recover scire facias

Sec. 14. *And be it enacted*, That the proceedings to recover the amount of any claim as aforesaid, shall be by writ of scire facias, in the following form viz: Baltimore county, S. S. the State of Maryland, to the sheriff of said county greeting; whereas, hath filed a claim in our court, for the county of Baltimore, against

for the sum of

for, (work done, or materials furnished, as the case may be,) to or for a certain building, to wit; (describing it as in the claim,) *and whereas*, it is alleged that the said sum still remains due and unpaid to the said

now we command you, that we make known to the said

and to all such persons as may hold, or occupy the said building, that they be and appear, before the judges of our said court, at a court to be held at Baltimore city, on the

day of

next, to shew if any thing they know or have to say, why the said sum of

should not be levied

of the said building, to the use of the said

according to the form and effect of the act of Assembly, in such case made and provided, if to them it shall seem expedient, and have you then, and there this writ: witness.

Fifteen days previous to return day

Sec. 15. *And be it enacted*, [That] *Provided*, that no such scire facias shall in any case be issued, within fifteen days previous to the return day of the next term.

Method of serving the writ

Sec. 16. *And be it enacted*, That the writ of scire facias aforesaid, shall be served in the same manner as a summons, upon the defendant therein named, if he can be found within the city, and a copy thereof shall