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LAWS OF MARYLAND.

CHAP. 95. whatsoever, so selling, shall, in each and every case, forfeit and pay to the purchaser of such package or parcel, packages or parcels, double the value of the quantity of goods, which, on actual measurement, it shall be found there is wanting in such package or packages, parcel or parcels, to make up the number of yards or quantity marked thereon.

How penalties are recoverable

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That all sums not exceeding one hundred dollars, forfeited and payable under the provisions of this act, shall be recovered by the purchaser before a justice of the peace, as small debts are recoverable, and all sums exceeding one hundred dollars, forfeited and payable as aforesaid, shall be recovered by the purchaser, by action of debt, in the county court of the county in which such sales were made.

CHAPTER 95.

Passed Jan 11, 1850.

An act to confirm and make valid the acts of James T. Thomas, Justice of the Peace in and for Charles County, and as one of the Justices of the District Court of the Fourth Election District of said county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, doubts are entertained as to the validity of the official acts of James T. Thomas, a justice of the peace of this State, in and for Charles county, and who is also a judge of the fourth election district court, in and for Charles county, and it is right and proper that such official acts shall be cured and made valid by law— Therefore,

Made valid.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all the official acts of James T. Thomas, of Charles county, in this State, as a justice of the peace of said State, in and for said county, and as a justice of the district court for the fourth election district in said county, from the first day of March, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fifty, be and the same are hereby rendered as valid and binding upon all parties thereto, and to have the same force, effect and operation, as if the said James T. Thomas had, before the performance of said official acts, legally qualified in the capacities aforesaid, of justice of the peace and district judge of said fourth election district.