

force, operation and effect, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as if the said acknowledgment had been made before two justices of the peace for Howard District of Anne Arundel county. CHAP. 16.

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

CHAPTER 16.

AN ACT to Enlarge the Powers of the Judges of the Circuit Courts, and of the Judge of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, in the particulars therein mentioned. Passed Feb 24, 1852.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the judges of the several Judicial Circuits, and the judge of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, shall each, in his respective circuit, have and exercise all the powers conferred, and discharge all the duties imposed by law upon the Chancellor of Maryland, before the adoption of the present Constitution. Exercise all the powers conferred upon the Chancellor.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That each of the said circuit judges shall have power and authority to grant injunctions, and to pass orders and decrees in equity, and to make orders at common law, as also to issue writs of habeas corpus, while residing or sojourning in any part of his circuit, to take effect within the same, or in any other part of such circuit. Authority to grant injunctions, &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That so long as the judge of the sixth circuit shall be authorised to hold the Circuit Court for Baltimore county within the city of Baltimore, he shall, while sojourning within the said city, possess the power and authority in regard to the sixth circuit as is provided for in the second section of this act. The Judge of the sixth circuit, to possess the same power as provided for in second section.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That in order to enable the circuit judges more effectually to perform their respective duties, they may require, in writing, the original papers in a cause, or transcripts or abstracts thereof, to be produced before them, in their discretion. May require, in writing, the original papers, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That whenever persons proper to be made defendants to proceedings in Chancery, reside some one or more in the county, and some one or more in the city of Baltimore, or where some one Which court shall have jurisdiction.