

not exceed one hundred dollars; to all suits on bonds, with penalty exceeding one hundred dollars, and conditioned for the payment of money, where the sum due and claimed does not exceed one hundred dollars; to all actions of replevin, where the value of the thing in controversy does not exceed one hundred dollars, and which value shall be ascertained by appraisers, summoned and sworn by the sheriff, or other officer to whom the writ of replevin is directed; and to all cases of attachment against non-resident or absconding debtors, where the sum claimed shall not exceed one hundred dollars; but no justice of the peace shall have any jurisdiction in actions where the title to land is involved, nor in actions for slander, for breach of promise to marry; or to enforce any lien for work or materials done or furnished.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That in all actions of replevin and of attachment, the proceedings before justices of the peace shall be similar to those in the several Circuit Courts of the State; but no special pleading shall be required before justices of the peace.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That from all judgments of justices of the peace, the party or parties aggrieved thereby shall be at liberty to appeal to the court, having jurisdiction to hear such appeal, at any time within sixty days after the rendition of any such judgment; and all appeals shall be docketed and summons for the appellee issued by the clerk of the proper court, immediately on the filing of the papers in his office; and no petition shall be necessary in any case; and if the summons shall be returned summoned, and the papers shall have been filed ten days previous to the commencement of the then next term of the court, the case shall stand for trial at the first term, but if the papers are not filed within that time, the case shall not stand for trial until the next term; but no appeal shall stay execution unless an appeal bond, with approved and sufficient security, be filed with the justice; and on the party signifying his intention to appeal, it shall be the duty of the justice of the peace to enter the appeal with the date thereof upon his docket, and to transmit the papers in the cause to the clerk of the proper court.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That in all cases where the amount claimed, or the thing in action exceeds the sum or value of fifty dollars, and justices of the peace have jurisdiction, the several circuit courts for the counties of this State, shall have jurisdiction concurrent with justices of the peace.