

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

CHAPTER 122.

AN ACT to establish another court for the city of Bal- Passed April timore, as provided by the twelfth section of the fourth 22, 1853. article of the Constitution.

WHEREAS, It is deemed by this Legislature, proper Preamble. and expedient to provide another court for the city of Baltimore ; Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That there shall be and hereby is provided another court for the city of Baltimore, which shall be styled the circuit court for Baltimore city, to consist of one judge, who shall be elected in the same manner, be subject to the same constitutional provisions, hold his office for the same term of years, and receive the same compensation, as the judge of the court of common pleas of the said city. ^{Another court provided for.}

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said circuit court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior court of Baltimore city, in all cases in equity, in cases arising under the act to direct descents and its supplements, in cases of habeas corpus, and generally such as have heretofore been conferred on the Chancellor of this State, so far as regards the fifth judicial circuit. ^{Concurrent jurisdiction.}

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the judge of the circuit court shall have the same powers out of court, which the judge of the superior court now has or may hereafter have, by law, in all cases in which the said circuit court judge has jurisdiction under this act. ^{Powers out of court.}

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That whenever in any case instituted in the circuit court, a jury is asked for and allowed, or is desired by the judge thereof, the judge shall issue an order to the sheriff of Baltimore city, requiring him to summon twenty jurors to attend the court, when proceedings shall be had in such case as is usual in like cases in equity. ^{Sheriff to summon jury.}

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That there shall be a clerk of the aforesaid circuit court, who shall in his election, tenure of office, liabilities, powers, duties and compensation, in all respects stand on the same footing ^{Clerk to be elected.}