

P R E F A C E.

IN this third volume of the Supplement to the Code, we present to the profession and the public the codified laws of the Session of the General Assembly of 1865.

The Constitution of 1864, has inaugurated a new era in the legislation of this State. The laws of this Session, and especially those made in conformity with that instrument are, consequently, of more than ordinary interest to this community.

Although most of these laws are entirely new, yet several of them are re-enactments of Acts of Assembly omitted from the Code. Chapter 91, relating to appeals in insolvent cases, is a restoration of a provision in the act of 1849, ch. 88, sec. 1; Chapter 141, relating to appeals in cases of streets in Baltimore City, is a re-enactment of 1852, ch. 77, sec. 2, and Chapter 47, the law for the recording of bonds of conveyance, is identical with sec. 3, of 1831, ch. 205.

The outline of the mode of registration of births, marriages and deaths, prescribed by Chapter 130, is contained in the old acts of 1702, ch. 1, sec. 10; 1777, ch. 12, sec. 8, and 1793, ch. 24, sec. 19.

The Constitution having prohibited the enactment of local and special laws in the cases therein enumerated, the good effects of that provision are evident from the small number of such laws passed by the recent Legislature.

As to the arrangement of this work, we trust, it will be found that

Singula quæque locum . . . sortita decenter.