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(28.) Sec. XXVIII. The court in which judgment may have been Judge may make rendered in pursuance of the provisions of this chapter, may from time to tribution of the time make such order, for the distribution of the proceeds of the sale of proceeds of sale, the property assigned by any insolvent, as to said court may appear most for the interest of the creditors; and for the payment from the proceeds of sales of such property, of all legal fees and expenses accruing on the application for discharge by any such insolvent.

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[Chapter 91, Revised Statutes.]

- (1.) Sec. I. In any action commenced in any court of record, or jus- when and in tice's court, founded upon contract, expressed or implied, or upon a judg-may be summon-ment or decree, or after the rendition of said judgment in any action, if ed as garnishee. the plaintiff, his agent, or attorney, shall make and file with the clerk of the court, or justice of the peace, stating that he has good reason to believe, and does believe, that any person (naming him) has property, money, or effects, in his hands or under his control, belonging to the defendant in such action, or that such person is indebted to the defendant, if the action is in the justice's court, the justice shall issue a summons against said person, requiring him to appear before such justice at a time and place mentioned in said summons, not less than six nor more than twelve days from the date thereof, and answer under oath all questions put to him, touching his indebtedness to such defendant, and the property, money, and effects of the defendant in his possession, within his knowledge, or under his control, which summons shall be served and returned in the same manner as a summons issued against a defendant in other cases. The garnishee shall be entitled to the same fees as he would if he were subpænaed as a witness in such case.
- (2.) Sect II. [As amended on page 17 of the amendments of 1852 Garnishee may to the revised statutes: In actions pending in the district court, the gar-be summoned in actions in disnishee may be summoned in the same manner as defendants are sum-trict court. moned in that court; the summons must require the garnishee to appear

Garnishee how liable. before the court or judge, at a time and place mentioned in the summons, not less than twenty days from the service thereof, and answer touching his indebtedness to the defendant in the action. On the appearance of the garnishee before the court or judge, he may be examined, or a reference may be ordered to take and return the examination of the garnishee, who may be compelled to attend before the referee from time to time, for that purpose.

(3.) Sec. III. The person summoned as a garnishee, from the time of the service of such summons, shall be deemed liable to the plaintiff in such suit, to the amount of the property, money, or effects in his hands, or possession, or under his control, or due from him to the defendant in such suit: provided, that when the defendant is a householder having a family, nothing herein contained shall be applicable to any indebtedness of such garnishee to the defendant for the personal labor of such defendant, or his family, for any amount not exceeding the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Proceedings when garnishee refuse to appear.

(4.) Sec. IV. If such garnishee neglect or refuse to appear, at the time and place mentioned in such summons, and answer as aforesaid, the court shall continue the cause to some other day, and without further showing than the proof that the summons had been properly served upon the garnishee, and his fees paid or tendered, issue a warrant to bring such garnishee before him.

Warrant what to contain.

(5.) Sec. V. Such warrant shall command the officer forthwith to take the body of such garnishee, and bring him before such court, and shall contain a further command that such officer shall, after he shall have arrested the garnishee, notify the plaintiff of such arrest; and such warrant shall be served and returned in the same manner as warrants issued in other cases.

Suit when commenced against garnishee. (6.) Sec. VI. The personal service of a summons upon such garnishee, shall be deemed the commencement of suit in the name of the plaintiff, against such garnishee, which may be entered on the docket as suits in other cases.

On appearance of garnishee, he may be examined

(7.) Sec. VII. [As amended on page 17 and 18 of the amendments of 1852 to the revised statutes:] On the appearance of such garnishee before the justice, court, judge, or referee, or on some day to which the proceedings may be adjourned, the plaintiff may proceed to examine the garnishee, on oath or otherwise, as the plaintiff may elect, touching the matter alleged in the affidavit, and the justice, judge or referee shall take minutes of such examination, and file the same with the other papers in the cause.

Cause when adjourned. (8.) Sec. VIII. Upon closing the examination, if a suit be pending and undetermined between the plaintiff and defendant, the cause shall be continued, but it shall not be necessary to adjourn the same to any day certain.

Court when to render judgment in case of garnishee.

(9.) Sec. IX. After the final determination of the action against the defendant in the case mentioned in the preceding section, the court in which the action is pending shall, if judgment be rendered in favor of the plaintiff, proceed to render judgment in the matter pending against the said garnishee; and if it appear from the testimony of the said garnishee, or other testimony which may have been taken in the case, that the said garnishee is indebted to the defendant, or that he has property belonging to the defendant in his possession, the court shall proceed to render judgment against the said garnishee, to the amount of his indebtedness to the said defendant, or for so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the plaintiff's demand.

Proceedings when discontinued as to garnishee. (10.) Sec. X. If the plaintiff fail to recover judgment against the defendant, in the case mentioned in section seven of this chapter, or if the defendant pay the judgment rendered in such cases, or stay the execution

thereon, within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, it shall in either case be deemed a discontinuance of all proceedings against the garnishee.

(11.) Sec. XI. If judgment be rendered against the garnishee, the Execution how to court may issue executions thereon as in other cases.

(12.) SEC. XII. If the garnishee shall on demand, deliver to the offi- Garnishee when cer having such execution, all the property, money, and effects, in his pos- entitled to costs. session, or under his control, belonging to the defendant, and pay all moneys found to be due from him to the defendant, at the time the suit was commenced against him, or so much of the money, property, and effects, as may be necessary to satisfy such execution, then the costs which may have accrued against such garnishee, shall be paid out of the property, money, and effects so paid over or delivered to such officer.

(13.) Sec. XIII. The officer having such execution shall indorse all Payment by the moneys received from such garnishee, and a description of all property garnishee to officer, same as payand effects delivered to him by the garnishee, and such delivery or pay- ment to defendment shall be deemed a delivery or payment to the defendant in such suit.

(14.) Sec. XIV. Upon the return of such execution so indorsed, the Indorsement of same shall be entered on the docket of the court, as fully as such return of facts therein upon such execution, and such entry or transcript thereof shall be prima stated. facie evidence of the facts therein stated.

(15.) Sec. XV. Whenever the garnishee shall pay or deliver to the Officer holding officer having such execution, any property which may be sold on an proceed. execution by existing laws, the officer shall proceed to levy upon and sell the same at public auction or vendue, as in other cases; and if the garnishee shall deliver to the officer any notes, bills, bonds, or other choses in action, the officer shall return the same to the court, to be retained in his hands for the use of the plaintiff, and the plaintiff may sue and collect the same, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the judgment against the defendant, and costs; the balance, if any, shall be returned to the garnishee or the defendant. All bills, bonds, notes, accounts, and other choses in action, secured or delivered under the provisions of this section, shall be taken, subject to all liens, set-offs, liabilities, and equities existing between the original parties thereto.

(16.) Sec. XVI. If the garnishee pay to the officer having such ex- officer holding ecution, any bank note or bill, the same shall be paid over to the plaintiff execution how to at the par value thereof, if. he will accept the same, if not, it shall be sold in the same manner as other personal property.

(17.) SEC. XVII. Judgments rendered against the garnishee, under Effect of judgthe provisions of this chapter, shall have the same force and effect, as they ment against gar would have under existing laws, if such defendant had been named as plaintiff therein.

(18.) Sec. XVIII. No suit shall be maintained or recovery had by Defendanteannot such defendant against the garnishee, for the amount of money sworn, against garproved, or admitted to be due from such garnishee to the defendant, or for nishee. property of the value thereof, money or effects in the hands of such garnishee as aforesaid, while such proceeding is pending.

(19.) SEC. XIX. The preceding section shall not be so construed, as Limitation of to prevent such defendant from prosecuting for, and recovering of such preceding section. garnishee, any other or future sum of money due from such garnishee, or the possession or value of any other property or effects in the hands of such garnishee belonging to such defendant.

(20.) Sec. XX. Bills of exchange and promissory notes not due, in Promissory notes the hands of the garnishee at the time of the service of the summons, deemed effects. shall be deemed "effects" under the provisions of this chapter.

Proceedings when moneys are due to defendant at future time.

(21.) Sec. XXI. If it shall appear upon any examination or trial, had under the provisions of this chapter, that any sum or sums of money is, or are owing and payable from the garnishee to the defendant, at some future time or times, it shall be the duty of such court, after the examination or the rendition of the verdict, if a trial by jury is had, and after the trial, (if the cause is tried by the court) to note the time or times when the sum or sums of money mentioned in this section, shall become due and payable, and shall thereupon continue the cause until after the time or times so noted.

Proceedings when moneys are due to defendant

(22.) Sec. XXII. After the said sum or sums of money become due and payable as mentioned in the preceding section, the court shall, at the at a future time. request of the plaintiff, render judgment against the garnishee, as mentioned in section nine of this chapter; and the same proceedings shall be had thereon and with the like effect, as if the said sum or sums of money had been due and payable at the time of the service of the summons.

Corporations may be proceeded against under this chapter.

(23.) Sec. XXIII. Corporations may be proceeded against as garnishees, in the same manner and with the like effect as individuals, under the provisions of this chapter, and the rules of law regulating proceedings against corporations.

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[Chapter 92, Revised Statutes.]

Contempts defined.

- (1.) Sec. I. The following acts or omissions, in respect to a court of justice, or proceedings therein, are deemed to be contempts of the authority of the court:
- Disorderly, contemptuous, or insolent behavior toward the judge while holding the court, tending to interrupt the due course of a trial, or other judicial proceeding;

2. A breach of the peace, boisterous conduct, or violent disturbance, tending to interrupt the due course of a trial, or other judicial proceeding;

Misbehavior in office, or other willful neglect or violation of duty by an attorney, counsel, clerk, sheriff, coroner, or other person appointed or elected to perform a judicial or ministerial service;