

1812.
Annual ap-
pointment of
civil officers.

Parts of the
constitution re-
pugnant to this
act repealed.

This act, if con-
firmed, shall be
a part of the
constitution.

manner as is now prescribed by the constitution and form of government.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all annual appointments of civil officers in this state shall be made in the third week of December in every year, in the same manner as the constitution and form of government now directs.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all and every part of the constitution and form of government that is repugnant to or inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed, abrogated and annulled, upon the confirmation hereof.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if this act shall be confirmed by the General Assembly after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directs; that in such case, this act and the alterations and amendments therein contained shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid as a part of the said constitution and form of government to all intents and purposes; any thing in the said constitution and form of government to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAPTER 212.

Passed, Jan. 7, 1812. *An act relating to Vagrants in the city of Baltimore.*

Justices of the
court of oyer
and terminer
may issue war-
rants against va-
grants—they
may be commit-
ted to the work-
house, &c.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of Maryland, That any one of the justices of the court of oyer and terminer and jail delivery for Baltimore county, within Baltimore city or the precincts thereof, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to issue warrants against any person or persons, upon satisfactory evidence that such person or persons is a vagrant, vagabond or disorderly person, that he, she or they appear before any of said justices on a day in the said warrant mentioned; which said warrant shall be directed to the sheriff or to any constable of Baltimore county; and if, on the appearance of such person, and examination by testimony, the said justice shall determine such person or persons to come within any of the said descriptions, the said justice may commit such person or persons to the jail or work-house, in the discretion of such justice, there to remain until the next session of the court of oyer and terminer and jail delivery for Baltimore county, unless good security be given to such justice, to his satisfac-