

parts of the city of Baltimore, shall continue in force until the first day of December, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, and until the end of the next session of the general assembly which shall happen thereafter.

AN ACT to Continue in Force certain Acts therein mentioned.—  
1836, ch. 120.

*Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* <sup>Acts made perpetual.</sup> the act, entitled, an act to repair the highways and bridges in certain parts of the city of Baltimore, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-three, chapter one hundred and eighty-five, and an act, entitled, an act to continue in force said act, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-seven, chapter eighty-seven, be, and the same are hereby declared to be perpetual.

## CITY COURT.

By 1793, ch. 57, a Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, was organized for the trial of crimes committed in Baltimore County; the court to be composed of a Chief Justice of 'integrity, experience and sound legal knowledge,' and of four other persons, of 'integrity, experience and knowledge.'

By 1799, ch. 58, this court was re-modelled, and was to be composed of a Chief Justice of 'sound legal knowledge,' and two Associate Justices.

By 1816, ch. 193, the court was again re-modelled, and three persons of 'integrity, experience and sound legal knowledge,' were to be appointed, with jurisdiction to try offences committed within the city and precincts of Baltimore, and invested with all the authority and jurisdiction before then exercised by the Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery. The style of the court was changed to 'Baltimore City Court.'

AN ACT respecting the Punishment of Criminals.—1793, ch. 57.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this general assembly, that <sup>Preamble.</sup> the commission of burglary, robbery, horse-stealing, and other crimes, hath greatly increased in this state;

The only portion of this section necessary to be reprinted, is the clause which constitutes the Justices appointed under this law, a 'Justice of the Peace in criminal cases.'

SEC. 2. \* \* \* \* And each of the said persons shall be, and is hereby constituted a justice of the peace, and shall have jurisdiction as such, within the said county, in all criminal cases, during the time he shall be in commission. \* \* \* \*

SEC. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14. Are either re-enacted in 1816, ch. 193, or merged in 1809, ch. 138, ante page 572.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* If any criminal shall actually <sup>Time served out deemed a pardon, &c.</sup> serve and labour the full time appointed, such service and labour shall have the effect of a pardon, to all intents and purposes, for the crime for which such criminal was convicted.

SEC. 16. Repealed by 1829, ch. 37.