

sides the perquisites and fees allowed him by the sheriff of the county for his services as keeper of the gaol, be moreover entitled to a residence in the said gaol for himself and family, free from rent, upon his keeping the several apartments in his possession in sufficient repair, and taking a just and faithful charge and care of the entire premises.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the said keeper shall be disqualified, during his continuance in the said office, from holding any ordinary or house of entertainment in the said gaol, or at any other place, and from retailing spirituous liquors; and if the keeper of the said gaol, or any of his domestics, shall sell spirituous liquors, or cause or suffer the same to be sold, to any of the prisoners confined in the said gaol, or to any other person for the use of any of the said prisoners, and shall be convicted thereof, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars for every offence.

Not to hold
any ordi-
nary, &c.

SEC. 8. *And*, in order to secure as much as possible the proper and humane treatment to prisoners confined in the said gaol, and to cause to be punished all persons who shall infringe the regulations provided for the same, *Be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the grand inquest of the county to visit the said gaol once in every term, and to inspect the several apartments thereof, and to inquire into the treatment of the several prisoners therein confined, and into their health and situation, and to present, or otherwise report to the court, such facts and circumstances as they shall receive knowledge of, either upon their own view or from the evidence of other persons; and the justices of the said court shall be and they are hereby empowered to act upon such presentments or reports, and to make such order therein as shall appear to them to be necessary to accomplish the designs of this act respecting the regulation of the said gaol.

Jury to
visit the
gaol, &c.

AN ACT for the relief of John S. Blake, Sheriff of Queen Anne's County.
1822, ch. 177.

WHEREAS, it appears to this general assembly that the existing laws are inadequate to authorize the levy court of Queen Anne's county to allow certain expenses unavoidably incurred by the sheriff of said county, as he is bound to receive all persons legally committed to the jail of said county, and also to furnish said persons with provisions; therefore,

Preamble

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the levy court of Queen Anne's county, be, and they are hereby directed and empowered to levy on the assessable property of said county, such sum or sums of money annually as they may be satisfied by competent testimony to be justly due and owing to the sheriff of said county, for such costs and

Levy au-
thorized.