

such lunatic pauper to the Maryland Hospital, and the expenses that may be incurred during his or her stay in said hospital; provided the said expenses do not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars per annum, during his or her stay in said hospital.

#### CHAPTER 86.

AN ACT for the preservation of Buoys in the Patapsco River and Chesapeake Bay.

*Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That every person, his or her aiders and abettors, who shall be convicted before any court exercising criminal jurisdiction at the place where the offender may be arrested, or may reside, of the crime of stealing, cutting away, or in any manner wilfully injuring, any of the buoys, their mooring chains and stones, which are now moored, or may hereafter be moored, in the Patapsco river, or in the Chesapeake bay, by the direction of the insurance companies of the city of Baltimore, shall be sentenced to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary house of the state of Maryland, for a period not exceeding seven years, at the discretion of the court who may try the offence, and the person sentenced as aforesaid shall be kept therein, and in all things be treated and dealt with as other criminals, under the like sentences, in the penitentiary aforesaid.

Persons convicted of injuring buoys to be confined in penitentiary.

#### CHAPTER 89.

AN additional SUPPLEMENT to the Act,\* entitled, an Act to establish Pilots and regulate their Fees.

\* 1803, ch. 63.

Merged in 1823, ch. 176.

#### CHAPTER 104.

A SUPPLEMENT to the ACT,\* entitled, an Act to prevent the inconveniencies arising from Slaves being permitted to act as free.

\* Apr. 1787, ch. 33.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any person who shall permit and authorize any slave belonging to him or herself, in his or her own right, or possessed in the right of another, or in whom he or she may have special property, to go at large, or hire him or herself within this state, shall incur a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars for every month such slave shall go at large or hire him or herself, and at the same rate for any shorter time than one month, except twenty days at harvest.

Penalty for permitting slaves to go at large.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That any person who shall hire a slave, or contract with such slave, shall incur a penalty of twenty dollars, except as before excepted; *Provided,* that any person may permit his slave, being a pilot, to hire himself in such capacity, and any person may employ as a pilot any slave

For hiring or contracting with slaves. Proviso.