

ARTICLE LXX.

Ordinary Keepers and Retailers.

SEC. 1. No person shall be admitted to keep an ordinary other than the master, principal, or head of the house in which such ordinary shall be kept.

2. Every ordinary keeper shall keep accommodations for travellers, as provided in the article regulating licenses.

3. If any ordinary keeper keeps a disorderly house, or if any retailer keeps a disorderly house, or suffers any liquor by him sold or bartered, mixed or unmixed, to be drank in or about his house, the Circuit Court of the county, or the Criminal Court of Baltimore, if the offence is committed in said city, may, on application or remonstrance, withdraw the license of such person to retail spirituous or fermented liquors, and shall exercise a sound discretion relative thereto; and during the recess of said courts, the Orphans' Courts, at their several sessions, shall and may exercise a similar power, authority and discretion.

4. If any ordinary keeper shall harbor, entertain, or sell any liquor to any apprentice or slave without license in writing from his master, he shall for every offence forfeit the sum of ten dollars.

5. Any ordinary keeper in any city or town having a population of more than five hundred inhabitants, who shall provide an iron safe or other secure depository for the keeping of the money, jewelry and plate belonging to his guests, and who shall take charge for safe keeping of such money, jewelry and plate, shall be liable for the full value of the same if lost or stolen while thus in his charge, to be recovered before a justice of the peace, if such value does not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars, and if over that sum, by action of assumpsit in any court having jurisdiction, unless the loss occurred through fire proved to have happened without any negligence upon the part of himself or his agents.