

tried by this court according to law;" and the president shall take the same oath, to be administered by any member of the court.

696. Any officer required to attend as a member of a division, brigade, regimental or company court martial, or any other court as established under the provisions of this law, who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, shall be fined a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, in the discretion of said court, unless he can give a reasonable excuse for non-attendance; and any non-commissioned officer or private required to attend as a member of any such court who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, shall be fined a sum not exceeding five dollars, in the discretion of said court, unless he shall give a reasonable excuse for such non-attendance; and if the members appointed on said court do not attend so as to form a quorum, each of the absentees shall be fined a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, in the discretion of such court martial as the case may require; which said fines shall be returned for collection to the officer ordering said court, except in cases of division courts martial, when the fines shall be returned to the commanding officers of the brigade to which the offender belongs, in the same manner, under the like penalty, and within the time herein directed for the return of other fines.

697. The president of each court martial, or other court created under the provisions of this law, shall, within three days after the passing of any sentence of such court, return such sentence in writing, certified by said president to be the correct sentence of the court, to the commanding officer of the division, brigade, regiment or company ordering the same; and in the returns made by the courts of appeal of absentees from parade, it shall be distinctly written opposite to the respective names of those whose fines have been remitted, and such as are not thus exempted shall be held liable for the same.

698. The commanding officer of the third division and the first light division of Maryland volunteers shall, from time to time, as may be necessary, appoint some suitable person to collect all fines imposed on the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians or privates of said divisions.

699. The said collector, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give bond with security to the State of Maryland in