

127. If the patrol shall have reason to suspect that any runaway negro or slave is concealed or harbored in any dwelling or out-house of any negro within their search, they shall demand of the owner or occupant of such house to be admitted into the same for the purpose of search, and if the owner or occupant shall refuse to suffer such entry and search, they may use all necessary force to effect the same, and, in any action of trespass or other suit brought by any owner or occupant for any entry made in virtue of this section, the defendant may, on the general issue plea, have liberty to give the special matter in evidence.

128. If any person named in such requisition or patrol, on being duly notified and summoned by such justice of the peace, or by his authority, shall neglect or refuse to obey the same, he shall be subject to a fine not exceeding five dollars nor less than fifty cents, to be recovered as small debts, by summons in the name of the State, and to be applied to the use of the commissioners of the school fund.

129. The clerk of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel county shall not grant license to any free negro to sell merchandise therein except by the special order of the Circuit Court, to be passed on the recommendation of not less than twelve respectable freeholders in the neighborhood in which he proposes to carry on his business, and no license to any free negro shall authorize the sale of ardent spirits.

130. The clerk of the Circuit Court aforesaid, shall not grant a license for any purpose of trade to any white person who is in partnership with any free negro, nor shall any white person employ any free negro as a clerk in any mercantile business under a penalty of five hundred dollars for each offence: said penalty to be recovered as other fines and forfeitures are under the laws of this State.

ORPHANS' COURT.

131. Each judge of the Orphans' Court of Anne Arundel county shall receive the sum of three dollars for every day's attendance.

132. The regular terms of the Orphans' Court shall be held on the second Tuesday of every month of February, April, June, August, October, and December, and by its adjournment, if neces-