

APPRENTICES.

29. All persons to whom free negroes are bound as apprentices in Worcester county, may, under an order of the Orphans' Court of said county authorizing them to do so, hire out said apprentices.

30. The Orphans' Court shall not authorize the hiring of an apprentice for a shorter period than one year, unless the time of service of such apprentice will expire in less time, nor for the prosecution of any other trade or occupation than that to which he was first bound.

31. They shall, if in their judgment the interest of the apprentice requires it, either on account of improper treatment, or failure or neglect on the part of the hirer to give proper instruction to such apprentice in his trade or occupation, order the hirer to return said apprentice to his master, and may order such sum to be paid by the master to the hirer, as they may think just.

CIRCUIT COURT.

32. There shall be four terms of the Circuit Court for Worcester county in each year, held at Snow Hill in said county, commencing on the third Monday in each of the months of January, May, July and October.

33. The sheriff of said county shall summon and return to the spring and fall terms of said court a panel of persons qualified by law to serve as jurors.

34. The judge of said court shall have power to pass all such rules as shall be necessary to facilitate the transaction of business in said court; *Provided*, such rules shall provide for the transaction of equity business, and the said court for equity business shall be considered to be always open.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

35. The county commissioners of said county shall each be entitled to receive two dollars and fifty cents per day for each day he shall necessarily attend to the duties of his office, and six and a quarter cents for every mile he may have to travel to the place of meeting; but no commissioner shall be allowed