

ported by his or her friends or relatives, who lives idle, without employment; and every person who leads a dissolute or disorderly course of life, and cannot give an account of the means by which he procures a livelihood, and every fortune teller or common gambler shall be deemed a vagabond; and every person who habitually wanders about and begs in the streets of any town, or from house to house, or sits or stands or takes a position in any place or begs from passers by; either by words or gestures, shall be deemed a habitual beggar; and every person who wanders about and lodges in outhouses, market places, barracks, sheds, barns, or in any public building, or in the open air, and has no permanent place of abode, or visible means of maintenance, shall be deemed a vagrant.

1914, ch. 387, sec. 2.

**553.** Every vagabond, habitual beggar and vagrant, upon conviction before the Circuit Court for Talbot County, or before any Justice of the peace having criminal jurisdiction, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to imprisonment in jail, or in the Maryland House of Correction for a period of not less than two months or more than six months for the first conviction; and not less than six months or more than twelve months for the second or any subsequent conviction; provided that any person found to be a vagabond or an habitual beggar who may not be able bodied, but aged or infirm or seriously crippled, may in the discretion of the Court or Justice of the Peace, be committed to the almshouse or be paroled; and provided also that any minor committed under this Act may be sent to any reformatory institution to which minors may be committed under Article 27 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, or paroled in the discretion of the Court or Justice of the Peace.

#### WILD FOWL.

(All local laws relating to wild fowl were repealed by ch. 568, 1927. See 1929 Supplement to Annotated Code, Art. 99.)

#### WITNESSES.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 21, sec. 235. 1860, Art. 20, sec. 213.

**554.** Each witness residing in Talbot county who shall be summoned to attend the circuit court for said county, shall be entitled to receive seventy-five cents for each day he shall attend said court, and five cents a mile for every mile his place of residence shall be distant from the place of holding said court, to be computed for each day's attendance.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 21, sec. 236. 1860, Art. 20, sec. 214.

**555.** The clerk of said court shall make out and report a list of the witnesses summoned to attend said court, with the distance each witness resides from the place of holding the same, to the commissioners of said county, to enable the commissioners to levy the *per diem* and mileage of such witnesses.