

pers ought not to be assessed for the support of the Government, but every other person in the State, or person holding property therein, ought to contribute his proportion of public taxes, for the support of Government, according to his actual worth in real or personal property; yet fines, duties, or taxes may properly and justly be imposed or laid, on persons or property, with a political view, for the good government and benefit of the community.

Paupers not to be taxed

Taxation according to actual worth
Fines, &c

7 Md 1.

ART. 14. That sanguinary laws ought to be avoided as far as is consistent with the safety of the State; and no law to inflict cruel and unusual pains and penalties ought to be made in any case, or at any time hereafter.

Sanguinary Laws.

ART. 15. That retrospective laws, punishing acts committed before the existence of such laws, and by them only declared criminal, are oppressive, unjust and incompatible with liberty; wherefore, no ex post facto law ought to be made.

Retrospective Laws

8 Md. 551

10 Md 129.

ART. 16. That no law to attain particular persons of treason or felony, ought to be made in any case, or at any time hereafter.

Attainder

ART. 17. That every free man, for any injury done to him in his person or property, ought to have remedy by the course of the law of the land, and ought to have justice and right, freely without sale, fully without any denial, and speedily without delay, according to the law of the land.

Right to have justice.

ART. 18. That the trial of facts where they arise, is one of the greatest securities of the lives, liberties, and estate of the people.

Trial of facts where they arise.

ART. 19. That in all criminal prosecutions, every man hath a right to be informed of the accusation against him; to have a copy of the indictment or charge, in due time (if required) to prepare for his defence; to be allowed counsel; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have process for his witnesses; to examine the witnesses for and against him on oath; and to a speedy trial by an impartial jury, without whose unanimous consent he ought not to be found guilty.

Criminal Prosecutions

12 Md 514.

ART. 20. That no man ought to be compelled to give evidence against himself in a court of common law, or in any other court, but in such cases as have been usually practised in this State, or may hereafter be directed by the Legislature.

Evidence against oneself

7 Md. 416.

ART. 21. That no free man ought to be taken or imprisoned, or disseized of his freehold, liberties or privileges, or

Free men not to be imprisoned, &c., but by Law.