

county where such master resides, within thirty days after the execution thereof, under the penalty of ten dollars, to be recovered and applied as the penalty mentioned in the eighteenth section of this article; and the register shall receive and record the said indenture.

Indenture to be recorded.

21. Any manufacturer or mechanic may take as an apprentice any male child, until he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years; *provided*, that the contract so made shall specify the age of the child at the time of making the same, and that the parent or parents of such child (if living), or if an orphan, the Orphans' Court of such county as the child shall reside in, shall see the contract within two months after its execution, and notify its approbation thereof by an indorsement on the same; and that the said contract be then recorded among the records of the Orphans' Court; and when so recorded, the said contract shall be of the same validity as if the same had been originally made with the father of said child or with the Orphans' Court.

Id s 21
1793, c 45, s 6.
Manufacturer or mechanic may take male child as apprentice

Contract to be approved by court and recorded

Validity.

22. The directors of the Maryland Penitentiary, or any three of them, may bind as apprentices the free male convicts whose times of service in that institution shall expire before they are of age; and may also bind as an apprentice until the age of eighteen years, any free female convict whose term of service shall have ended before she has attained that age. They may also bind as apprentices, until the age of twenty-one for males, and eighteen for females, the children of female convicts brought into the penitentiary with their mothers, or born therein during their time of service; and the managers of the House of Refuge and of other institutions of this State, specially empowered to bind minors as apprentices, shall have the same power over minors committed thereto; and all indentures or contracts so made shall be recorded in the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City, within thirty days from the execution thereof.

Id s 22
1814, c 104,
1817, c 72, s 1,
1830, c 64, s 7,
1849, c 341
Directors of penitentiary may bind

House of Refuge, etc

When contracts to be recorded

23. All apprentices, except those bound to tradesmen and mechanics residing in any town, shall be compelled to perform reasonable labor in wheat, rye, and hay harvest only, unless the particular contract shall be otherwise.

Id s 23
1793, c 45, s. 18
Apprentices to work in harvest

24. If any person shall entice any apprentice or other minor from the care, direction, service, or employment of the father, guardian, or master of such apprentice or other minor, or shall induce or encourage any apprentice or other minor to disobey any lawful command of his father, guardian, or master, or shall permit any apprentice or other minor to enter or remain in any house, store, shop, apartment, or dwelling used or occupied by such person after notice from the father, guardian, or master of such apprentice or other minor prohibiting the same, such person shall, for every such offence, forfeit the sum of twenty dollars, the one-half thereof to the use of the State and the other half to the use of the informer, who shall sue for the same, to be recovered before a justice of the peace by action of debt in the name of the State in the same manner

Id s 24
1793, c 45, s 8,
1748, c 19, s 2,
1821, c 213, s 1
Enticing away or harboring
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