

comply; provided, that such custody shall not continue longer than twelve months, nor less than six months, in the discretion of the court.

Root v State, 10 G. & J. 374. Owens v State, 10 Md. 164. Baker v. State, 21 Md. 422. Norwood v. State, 45 Md. 68. Neff v. State, 57 Md. 385.

P. G. L., (1860,) art. 13, sec. 6. 1785, ch. 47, sec. 2.

6. Every justice by whom any recognizance to indemnify the county shall be taken, shall immediately return the same to the clerk of the circuit court for the county where he resides, or the clerk of the criminal court of Baltimore, if he reside in the city of Baltimore; and the clerk of the said court shall record the said recognizance among the proceedings of the court, and the court shall, when necessary, issue such process thereon as hereinafter provided for.

Ibid. sec 7. 1796, ch. 34.

7. Any justice of the peace, upon application of the mother of any illegitimate child, or any person to whose custody such child may have been committed to be maintained, verified by the oath of such mother or other person that he or she has not received any sum or sums of money from the father of such child or either of his securities, his or their or either of their heirs, executors or administrators, for the use or maintenance of such child more than credit given, shall issue an order requiring such father, his security or securities, his or their heirs, executors or administrators, to pay the mother or other person having the custody of said child, such a sum of money as may appear adequate for the maintenance of such child, not exceeding thirty dollars per annum, until the said child shall arrive at the age of seven years.

Grantz v. State, 4 H. & J. 121. Eccleston v. State, 7 G. & J. 316. Mong v. State, 10 G. & J. 380. Oldham v. State, 5 Gill, 90. Owens v. State, 10 Md. 165. Barber v. State, 24 Md. 383. Huyett v. Slick, 43 Md. 284.

Ibid. sec. 8. 1796, ch. 34.

8. Upon proof of the service of such order upon the person or persons to whom the same may be directed, and demand of payment thereof, and that the money due thereon is unpaid, the clerk of the court in which the recognizance of the father may be filed shall forthwith issue a *scire facias* on such recognizance, for