

1880, ch. 100.

312. Any person, not insane, who is convicted of being a tramp, shall be sentenced by the justice of the peace, or by the court, as the case may be, before whom such offender is tried, to confinement in the Maryland house of correction for a period of not less than two months nor more than one year.

Ibid.

313. When any person is convicted in any court of this State of assault and battery, riot, or any other misdemeanor punishable under the laws of this State by imprisonment in jail or by fine and imprisonment in jail, such court shall have power to sentence such person to be confined in the Maryland house of correction; provided, that the said term of confinement in the said Maryland house of correction shall not be for a less period than two months.

1874, ch. 233, sec. 10. 1878, ch. 415. 1884, ch. 229. 1884, ch. 513.

314. It shall be the duty of any justice of the peace of this State to cause to be arrested, and, on due proof, to commit any vagrant, habitually disorderly person, not insane, to said house of correction for a period not less than two months nor more than six months; and on a second or subsequent commitment of the same person for any of the said causes, he or she, in the discretion of the justice, may be sentenced to double the term of the first commitment; provided, that any person that may be brought before a justice of the peace as herein mentioned, shall have a right to appeal to the circuit court for the county, or, if in the city of Baltimore, to the criminal court of said city, where the same shall be tried as other crimes and misdemeanors. This section not to apply to Frederick county.

Ibid. sec. 11. 1878, ch. 415. 1884, ch. 513.

315. Every person committed or sentenced to said house of correction shall be kept at some useful employment, or hired out for such useful employment as may be best suited to his or her age, and most profitable to the institution; and if the person shall refuse to perform the work assigned to him or her, or be guilty of acts of insubordination or misconduct, such person shall be