

Chapter 119.

AN ACT to pay the claim of William Knabe & Company due by the State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Comptroller of the State be and he is hereby directed to draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer, in favor of William Knabe & Company, of Baltimore, for the sum of two thousand and eighteen dollars, for the payment in full for three musical instruments furnished for use in the State Normal School.

Directed to
draw warrant.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved March 30, 1882.

Chapter 120.

AN ACT to inflict Corporal Punishment upon Persons found guilty of Wife-beating.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That article thirty of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, title "Crimes and Punishments," be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following additional section, under the sub-title of "Wife-beating."

Additional
section.

SECTION Any person who shall hereafter brutally assault and beat his wife, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon presentment and conviction thereof by any court of competent jurisdiction, shall be sentenced to be whipped not exceeding forty lashes, or imprisoned for a term not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Wife beating a
misdemeanor.

SEC. *And be it enacted,* That if any court shall order or direct the punishment as aforesaid by whipping, that the same shall be administered by the sheriff of the county or city of Baltimore, where the judgment shall be rendered, and said sheriff shall administer the same within the walls of the jail of his county or the city of Baltimore.

Whipping—
whom admin-
istered by.

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