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**CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS**—County courts of this State and city court of Baltimore, in sentencing convicts, &c. in compliance with the act of 1836, chapter 157, may, in their discretion, sentence them to be confined, &c. for a period not less than eighteen months, &c.

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