

SEC. 16. *And be it enacted,* That all the expenses of the said Penitentiary shall be defrayed out of the funds thereof, and no demand shall be made upon the State Treasury for that purpose, except for such sums as may be payable in virtue of appropriations, by acts of Assembly heretofore or hereafter to be made.

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Expenses to be defrayed
None from the treasury

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted,* That every person convicted of any crime, the punishment whereof shall be confinement in the Penitentiary, shall be placed and kept in the solitary cells thereof, on low and course diet, for such part or portion of the time of his or her imprisonment, as the court in their sentence shall direct and appoint, *provided,* that it be not more than one half, nor less than one twentieth part thereof; and that the Directors of the said Penitentiary, shall have power to direct the infliction of said solitary confinement, either at the commencement or just before the termination of the said sentence, or at any time during the same, *provided,* the said solitary confinement shall be inflicted consecutively for the whole of that part of said sentence, and the person so confined shall be allowed to work in his cell at the discretion of the Board of Directors, with a proper and exclusive regard, in enforcing this section, to the reformation of said prisoner, unless the convict's health, in the opinion of the Physician, require his release from said solitary confinement, in which case he shall be released until his health be restored.

Solitary confinement

Limitation

At what term

Object

Regard to health

SEC. 18. *And be it enacted,* That if any offender sentenced to undergo a confinement in the Penitentiary, shall escape, he or she shall, on conviction thereof, suffer such additional confinement and hard labour, agreeably to the laws of this State, as Baltimore City Court shall adjudge and direct; and if any keeper, deputy assistant keeper or other person shall aid and assist in the escape of any offender confined in the Penitentiary, he or she shall, on conviction thereof, by Baltimore City Court, undergo such confinement in the said Penitentiary as the said court may adjudge, not exceeding ten years.

Prisoners escaping

Punishment

Officers &c. aiding therein

Punishment

SEC. 19. *And be it enacted,* That the said directors, and they are hereby required to re-model or rebuild if necessary, the western wing of said prison, now

Re-model Western wing