

C H A P.  
LXIV.  
Section re-  
pealed, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said fortieth section of the constitution and form of government be repealed, and any officer mentioned in the same fortieth section shall be removed for misbehaviour, on conviction in a court of law, and may be removed by the governor, upon the address of the general assembly, provided that two thirds of all the members of each house concur in such address.

When to take  
place.

III. This act to take place on its being confirmed by the general assembly after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, according to the constitution and form of government.

C H A P. LXV.

Passed De-  
cember 26.

Governor to  
commission  
two persons,  
&c.

An ACT respecting the punishment of criminals.

**B**E it enacted, *by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, to commission two persons of integrity, experience and knowledge, residing in Baltimore-town, who shall be assistant justices of Baltimore county court, and shall be so styled in the commission, and the persons so commissioned shall be and hereby are invested with all and singular the jurisdictions, powers and authorities, that may lawfully be exercised by associate justices of said court, except that they shall sit in court for the exercise of criminal jurisdiction only; and the said assistant justices shall hold their commissions during good behaviour, and may be removed for misbehaviour, in the same manner as the chancellor and judges may be removed, agreeably to the constitution of this state, and not otherwise.

Court to meet  
in January,  
&c.

II *And be it enacted,* That Baltimore county court, or any three or more of the justices thereof, be and they are hereby empowered and required to meet on the second Tuesday in the months of January, March and August, and on the third Tuesday in November, in every year, for the trial of all felonies, crimes, offences and misdemeanors, committed, or that hereafter may be committed, in Baltimore county, and not particularly by law directed to be tried in the general court.

Powers, &c.  
invested, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That all and singular the jurisdictions, powers and authorities, vested in the court of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery for Baltimore county by the act, entitled, An act respecting the punishment of criminals, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, shall be and they are hereby invested in, and may be rightfully exercised by, Baltimore county court, or the justices thereof, at their sittings herein before mentioned, or adjournments of the same, and not otherwise.

Expences to  
be paid, &c.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That the expences attending the execution of this act shall be paid by Baltimore county, and shall be assessed by the said justices, and collected with the county assessment.

Chief justice's  
salary, &c.

V. *And be it enacted,* That the said chief justice of Baltimore county court from and after the passing of this act, and during the continuance thereof, shall receive at the rate of two hundred pounds current money *per annum*, as a compensation for his additional trouble and labour in executing the duties on him imposed by this act; and the associate justices shall each of them receive twenty shillings per day for their services in court; and after the first day of May next the chief justice of the said court shall reside in Baltimore-town, or its precincts, and in case the said chief justice should not reside in Baltimore-town, or its precincts, as aforesaid, that then and in such case he shall not be entitled to any part of the additional compensation allowed by this act for his additional trouble and services.

Clauses, &c.  
to continue,  
&c.

VI. *And be it enacted,* That all and singular the clauses, sections and provisions, contained in the act passed at the last session of assembly, entitled, An act respecting the punishment of criminals, except so much thereof as relates to, and