

Keeper, assistant Warden, and the other officers, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of their respective offices, shall execute bonds to the State, with security, to be approved by the Board of Directors, and in no manner connected with the management of the said penitentiary—the three former (that is, the Agents, Warden and Book Keeper) in the sum of ten thousand dollars each, the assistant Warden in the sum of two thousand dollars, and the other officers in the sum of one thousand dollars, respectively, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties required of them respectively by the laws of this State and the rules and regulations that may be adopted from time to time for the government of the said penitentiary; and the said bonds shall be filed in the Executive department of the State, and a certified copy thereof, under the seal of the State, shall be evidences in actions on said bonds, or any of them; and if either of the officers aforesaid shall neglect to execute bond as prescribed by this act, or neglect to take the oath prescribed in the 11th section thereof, within twenty days after notice of his or her appointment, another person shall be appointed in place of the said delinquent.

Sec. 11. And be it enacted, That the said Directors, and all the officers of said institution, before they act as such, shall make oath or affirmation that “he or she will well and faithfully execute and perform the duties appertaining to his or her office, according to the laws of this State and the rules and regulations adopted for the government of the Maryland Penitentiary, and that he or she will not, during his or her connexion with said penitentiary, sell to or buy from the said institution, or its authorities, directly or indirectly, any article or thing whatever;” and any officer swearing or affirming falsely in the premises, [and being convict thereof in due course of law, shall suffer as in cases of wilful and corrupt perjury; and if either of them shall act in his or her office before taking the oath and filing bond as required, he or she shall, upon conviction thereof, in Baltimore city court, forfeit and pay the sum of two hundred dollars to and for the use of the said penitentiary, to be recovered in the name of State.

Sec. 12. And be it enacted, That no person having any official connexion with the said institution shall be directly or indirectly concerned or interested in any contract, purchase or sale of any thing for, by or on account of the said prison—nor shall they sell to or purchase from the said prison or its authorities any article whatever;—and any person so offending shall be immediately dismissed from his employment, and be subject to a fine of five hundred dollars, to be imposed and received as prescribed in the 13th section of this act: and the said Directors and other officers are hereby required to make report to the Board of Directors of all such offences coming to their knowledge, and a failure or neglect shall be considered a breach of duty, and punishable under the ninth section of this act.

Sec. 13. And be it enacted, That the city court of Baltimore