

24. Any negro, or other slave, convict of petit treason, murder, or willfully burning of dwelling houses, shall have judgment to have the right hand cut off, to be hanged, quartered, and the head and quarters set up in the most public places of the county.—1729, c. 4, § 1.

25. Persons stealing any negro, or other slave, or who shall counsel, hire, aid, or abet, or command any person to commit the same, or who shall be accessory to the said offence; on conviction outlawry, standing mute, or peremptorily challenging above 20 shall suffer death without benefit of clergy.—1737, c. 2, § 4.

26. The full value to be adjudged by the court, of any condemned slave, who shall either be actually executed, or die after condemnation under confinement, in order for execution, shall be paid to the owner by the public treasurer, without any fee or reward, out of the public stock, on certificate from the sheriff of such execution or death. *ibid.* § 5, 6.

27. Slaves convicted of consulting, advising, conspiring or attempting to raise any insurrection, or to murder or poison any person or to commit a rape upon any white woman, or to burn any house or houses, or who shall of malice stand mute, or peremptorily challenge above 20 jurors, shall suffer death without benefit of clergy.—1751, c. 14, § 2. (See *Criminal jurisdiction of Baltimore*, art. 10.)

28. Slaves convicted of attempting to burn any dwelling house, or out-house contiguous to, or used with any dwelling-house, or other house wherein shall be any person or persons, goods, tobacco, grain or fodder, shall suffer death without benefit of clergy.—*ibid.* § 3.

29. Slaves committing any felony punishable by death, shall be committed to the sheriff of the county where the offence shall be committed, and tried at the next assizes or county court which shall first happen; which court is empowered on confession, or conviction of the offender, on the testimony of one legal witness, or even of other slaves corroborated with such pregnant circumstances, as shall satisfy the jury of the guilt of such slaves, to give judgment.—*ibid.* § 4.

30. Slaves convicted of giving false testimony against other slaves on such prosecutions, shall have one ear cut off, and receive 39 stripes, on the day of conviction; and the other ear to be cut off, and the like number of stripes given the offender on the day following.—*ibid.* § 5.

31. Slaves produced as witnesses on such occasions, shall be admonished to declare the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; and acquainted with the danger of false swearing, &c, by the court.—*ibid.* § 6.

32. Slaves condemned to suffer death, shall immediately be valued by