

and the state will pay the same sum for every criminal sent by the general court; and any county court may adjudge any such free male criminal to work and labour for such time as they may think proper, not exceeding seven years, and any slave not exceeding fourteen years, for the same crime, on the public roads of their county; and any free female criminal to work, for any term not exceeding seven years for the same crime, in the work-house of their county, or other place of confinement, and in such case the said court may make such provisions and regulations for the employment of such criminals, and the expences thereof, as they may think proper.

XXIX. AND BE IT ENACTED, If any slave or servant, convicted and adjudged in the general court, or any county court, to serve and labour according to this act, shall be sent to Baltimore county, and shall survive his time of conviction, such slave or servant shall, immediately after the expiration thereof, be sold at auction by the order of any two of the justices appointed in virtue of this act, and the money arising from the sale shall be paid unto the treasurer of the western shore if convicted in the general court, or to the sheriff of the county in which the conviction shall happen; and any slave or servant, convicted and adjudged in any county court to serve and labour according to this act, who shall not be sent to Baltimore county, and shall survive his time of conviction, such slave or servant shall, immediately after the expiration thereof, be sold at auction by the order of any two of the justices of the county where such conviction shall happen, and the money arising from the sale shall be applied to the use of such county; provided always, that such servant shall not be sold for a longer time than remained of his or her servitude at the time of his or her being so adjudged.

Slave, &c. in certain cases to be sold, &c.

XXX. AND BE IT ENACTED, Where any witness may be or reside in any other county in this state, the said justices, or any county court, shall have full power to issue subpoena for such witness, directed to the sheriff of the county where such witness shall reside, and such sheriff shall serve and return the same; and if any person, so summoned, shall neglect to attend, attachment may issue against him, directed as aforesaid, and by virtue thereof, the sheriff shall be obliged to have the body of such witness before the court issuing such attachment; and in case of neglect or delay, by such sheriff, to serve and return such subpoena or attachment, and to have the body of such witness, such sheriff may be fined by the court issuing such process; and every process and subpoena issued from one county to another shall be forwarded by the sheriff of the county issuing the same, and he shall be allowed by the justices of his county a reasonable compensation for his trouble.

Subpœna may issue for witnesses, &c.

XXXI. AND BE IT ENACTED, If any person shall commit any crime or offence in any county of which he is not an inhabitant, or if any person shall commit any crime or offence in the county of which he is an inhabitant, and shall remove after the commission of such crime or offence, and shall be presented or indicted in the county where the crime or offence shall have been committed, the court before whom such presentment or indictment shall be found shall have power to issue process against such person, directed to the sheriff of the county where such person shall reside, and such sheriff shall serve and return such process in the same manner as if issued by the county court of his county; and in case of neglect or delay in such sheriff to execute and return such process, he may be fined by the court issuing such process.

Court may issue process, &c.

XXXII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the justices appointed in virtue of this act, or any three or more of them, be authorized and required to execute all the powers vested in the commissioners of Baltimore-town in virtue of the act, \* entitled, An act for the establishment and regulation of a night watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county; and that all the powers and jurisdiction granted to the said commissioners, under the said act, shall cease and determine.

Justices to execute certain powers, &c. \* 1784, ch. 69.

XXXIII. AND, as a further fund towards the expences for the establishment of a watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town, BE IT ENACTED, That the said justices, or any three or more of them, may lay an annual tax, not exceeding seven shillings and six-pence current money, on every dog belonging to any inhabitant of the said town; and the said justices may direct the said tax to be collected from the owner of such dog, by execution of his person or goods; and the said justices shall have power, from time to time, to make such regulations respecting the keeping dogs in the said town as may be effectual to discover the owners, and for the collection of the said tax; and they may authorize the killing of any dog whose owner cannot be ascertained.

And lay a tax on dogs.

XXXIV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That so much of the act, (a) entitled, A supplement to the act for the establishment of a night watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town, as imposes the levying

Part of an act continued, &c.

(a) November, 1792, ch. 69.