

JURORS AND JURY.

Directions to the jury what to allow as damages in the suits therein mentioned on testamentary and administration bonds. 1793, No. 101, ch. 10, § 9.

Directions for summoning jurors to the criminal court of Baltimore, and compelling their attendance. 1799, ch. 58, § 5.

— Their allowance established. *Ibid.*

JUSTICES OF COURTS.

See ASSOCIATE JUSTICE. CHIEF JUSTICE. JUDGES. STAY OF EXECUTION.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

All justices to be appointed by the governor and council. Const. 48.

All civil officers of the appointment of the governor and council, who do not hold commissions during good behaviour, shall be appointed annually in the third week in November. *Ibid.* 49.

Oath to be taken by justices. *Ibid.* 50.

A justice of the peace may be eligible as a senator, delegate or member of the council, and continue to act as a justice of the peace. *Ibid.* 44.

Justices of the orphans court may act as justices of the peace. 1798, No. 101, ch. 15, § 6.

The mayor, recorder and aldermen, of George-town, shall be justices of the peace within the said town and the precincts thereof. 1789, ch. 23, § 4.

Every chief justice of a county court shall have, within his district, all the powers and jurisdiction of a justice of the peace out of court, except as to small debts. 1796, ch. 43, § 19.

Every associate justice shall have, within his county, all the powers and jurisdiction of a justice of the peace, except as to small debts and sitting in the levy courts. *Ibid.*

The mayor of the city of Baltimore to have all the powers of a justice of the peace, except as to small debts. *Ibid.* ch. 68, § 10.

Oath to be taken by the justices, and how to be certified and recorded. February, 1777, ch. 5.

Justices of the peace, how to be commissioned and qualified. *Ibid.* 1796, ch. 43, § 16, 17.

— Their fees established. *Ibid.*

— How to be appointed and commissioned for the levy courts. 1798, ch. 34.

See LEVY COURTS. —

— Their power respecting the appointment of inspectors. 1789, ch. 26.

See TOBACCO INSPECTION.

Justices empowered to observe the demeanor of persons before them, and to fine them for indecent behaviour and contempt of their authority. 1719, ch. 4, § 3.

Justices not exempted from serving as jurors. 1797, ch. 87, § 6.

Power given to three justices to order out the militia in case of insurrection or invasion as therein mentioned. 1798, ch. 100, § 35.

Powers to be exercised by any one justice of the peace, viz.

One justice may adjudge persons taken up and brought before him to be runaways, and may secure them. 1715, ch. 44, § 6, 9, 20.

— May bind over persons dealing with servants and not being able to pay the fine. *Ibid.* § 13.

— May order the correction of servants brought before him by their masters. *Ibid.* § 21.

— May order any negro to be whipped for carrying a gun from his master's land without licence, and may order a forfeiture of the gun to the person seizing it, &c. *Ibid.* § 32.

— May give judgment for the fine for hunting in enclosed ground. 1728, ch. 7, § 7.

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— For the fine for not appearing at the clearing of the highways. 1704, ch. 21, § 4, 1723, ch. 17.

— May take bail as therein directed in actions in the county courts. 1715, ch. 28, § 7.

— Shall take an account of the marks of horses, &c. brought before him, which the persons aggrieved shall set up in public places. *Ibid.* ch. 31, § 4.

— May take proof by one witness of the property of such stray horse, to be then delivered to the owner. *Ibid.*

— May punish slaves guilty of pilfering or stealing, &c. by whipping. 1717, ch. 13, § 6.

— May give judgment for the fine on persons refusing to go with the constable to suppress the tumultuous meetings of negroes, or refusing when there to assist such constable. 1723, ch. 15, § 3.

— May, on any negro or other slave striking any white person, cause one of such negro's ears to be cropped. *Ibid.* § 4.

— May give judgment for the fine on persons encouraging negroes or other slaves to meet in companies on their plantations. *Ibid.* § 5.

— On the owners of slaves suffering them to keep horses or mares, or to raise cattle or hogs, as their own property. *Ibid.* § 6.

— On persons profanely swearing or cursing before any magistrate, minister, &c. *Ibid.* ch. 16, § 2.

— On persons getting drunk before such magistrate, &c. *Ibid.* § 3.

— May, when such fines are not immediately paid on conviction, order the offender, (not being a freeholder or other reputable person,) to be whipped, or put in the stocks, and for that purpose to appoint any person, (not having a lawful exemption,) as a constable on such occasion. *Ibid.* § 4, 5.

— May give judgment for the fines awarded for such refusal. *Ibid.* § 4.

— Shall, where the offenders are freeholders, &c. and not able to pay the fines, certify them to the county courts. *Ibid.*

— May give judgment for the fine incurred by other justices or officers being themselves guilty of cursing, &c. *Ibid.* § 6.

— May commit any person to prison who shall revile such justice, or any officer executing this act, for one month, unless security is given as therein directed. *Ibid.* § 7.

— May recover treble damages from persons assaulting and beating him in the execution of this act. *Ibid.* § 8.

— May, if sued thereon, plead the general issue, and give this act, &c. in evidence, and on nonsuit recover treble costs. *Ibid.* § 8.

— May give judgment for the fine incurred by persons working, or suffering work, or permitting their children to fish, hunt, &c. on Sundays. *Ibid.* § 10.

— May issue a warrant to apprehend persons accused of setting up booths contrary to this act, and commit them till they remove such booths. 1725, ch. 6, § 3.

— Duty of a justice under the acts to encourage the destroying of wolves, crows and squirrels, and the act to encourage the destroying of wolves. 1728, ch. 7, November, 1788, ch. 4.

One justice may take the acknowledgment of sales, gifts, or mortgages of goods or chattels, in his county. 1729, ch. 8, § 5.

— May give judgment for the fine for killing or purchasing deer contrary to this act. 1730, ch. 17, § 2.

— For the fine on county clerks not attending as therein directed. 1748, ch. 7, § 3.

— For the fine for entertaining servants or slaves unlawfully absenting themselves, if not exceeding 600 lbs. tobacco. *Ibid.* ch. 19, § 2.

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