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XI.

Monies received by Sheriffs, by virtue of this Act, to be by them paid every November Court.

shall have received under this Act, and the said Monies shall keep in their Hands until the first Day of *November* Court, yearly, and shall attend at the Court-house of their respective Counties, on the said first Day of *November* Court, yearly, at which Time and Place, each and every Person having Certificates as aforesaid, shall produce them, in Order to be paid off by the Sheriffs of the Counties, respectively, who are hereby authorized and required to do the same, out of the Monies by them so collected and received as aforesaid, but if they or any of them shou'd not have Money sufficient to pay the whole, in such Case the several Claimants shall be paid in Proportion to their several Claims, all which Certificates shall be indorsed, expressing the Sums received thereon, and signed by the Persons receiving the same.

Sheriffs Salary 6 per Cent.

VIII. And be it further Enacted, That the several Sheriffs shall and may retain in their Hands for their Salary or Commission, Six *per Centum* of the Monies collected and received in pursuance of this Act, and shall and are hereby required, to render a fair Account every *November* Court, to the Justices of each respective County, of the said Monies so received and paid away, with the Vouchers and Receipts of such Payment, and if any Overplus, the same to be applied by the said Justices, towards defraying the County Charge, at the laying the Levy.

Proviso, as to Part of *Frederick* County.

IX. Provided nevertheless, That this Act shall not extend to the South Mountain, in *Frederick* County, or to any Part of the said County to the Westward of the said South Mountain; any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Convicts or Negroes, rambling with Dogs, may be Whipp'd;

X. And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That in Case any Dog shall be found attending upon or following any Convict Servant, Negro, or other Slave, not being on the Plantation of his Master or Mistress, the Master, Mistress, or Overseer of such Servant or Slave, not being present, such Convict Servant or Slave, shall or may be taken up and carried before a single Justice of the Peace, and by his Order, receive any Number of Stripes on his naked Back, not exceeding Fifteen for any one Offence.

Except they have Leave from their Masters.

XI. Provided always, That in case the said Servant or Slave, shall have leave by Writing or otherwise from his Master, Mistress or Overseer, permitting or ordering such Servant or Slave to be attended or followed by any Dog, that such Servant or Slave shall not be liable to the Punishment aforesaid.

A Fine of 20s. on Heads of Families, for giving the Constable wrong Lists.

XII. And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any Master, Mistress, or other Head of a Family, shall give in to the Constable, any Dog or Dogs not in Fact belonging to, or kept for the proper Use or Convenience of such Master, Mistress, or other Head of a Family, in Order and for the Purpose of evading the Tax aforesaid intended to be imposed by this Act, upon Dogs owned or kept by single Persons, not having or keeping a Family, such Master, Mistress, or other Head of a Family, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Shillings for every such Offence; the said Sum to be recovered before any single Justice of the Peace, as aforesaid; one Half whereof to the Informer, and the other Half to the Sheriff of the County, for the same Uses as the Tax raised by virtue of this Act.

Continuance.

XIII. This Act to continue and be in Force for Three Years, and to the End of the next Session of Assembly that may happen after the End of the said Three Years. — *Expire* —

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