

be done for their respective counties, and by order of the justices for the time being, the following sums, viz. For Saint Mary's, Kent, Anne-Arundel, Charles, Somerset, Dorchester, Baltimore, Cæcil, Prince-George's, Talbot, Queen-Anne's, Worcester, Frederick and Washington counties, twelve pounds each: For Calvert, Harford, Caroline, and Montgomery counties, ten pounds each. And all the respective county clerks within this state, for the time being, shall, and they are hereby obliged to do all the said services, and such others, for the use of the respective counties, as shall be required by the justices of the peace for each respective county, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, for and in consideration of the said allowance; and if any person, chargeable with officers fees as aforesaid, shall neglect or refuse to pay the same within the time aforesaid,

XXVII. *Be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the sheriffs immediately after the last day of August yearly, to distrain the goods and chattels of the person or persons to neglecting or refusing, and to sell and dispose thereof at the expiration of five days after distress made, at public auction, all which shall be done by the said sheriff without fee or reward; and the overplus beyond what will satisfy the demand aforesaid shall be returned to the debtor.

Sheriff may  
distrain goods,  
&c.

XXVIII. *And be it enacted*, That if any person indebted for such fees shall refuse to pay money within the time aforesaid, or shall neglect or refuse to shew to the sheriff any goods or chattels to be distrained, in such case it shall and may be lawful for the sheriff to take such person in execution for the money so due as aforesaid; and the sheriff shall and he is hereby directed and required, before the last day of June yearly, to pay to each creditor, according to their respective debts or claims, all the tobacco he shall have received in satisfaction thereof, before the tenth day of June, and shall also, before the last day of September yearly, pay to each creditor; and if any sheriff shall not make payment according to the directions of this act, such sheriff shall forfeit and pay to the party grieved, if he sues the sheriff, only double the tobacco or money to be recovered with costs by action of debt, or action on the case, founded on this act, in which it shall be sufficient for the plaintiff to allege, that the defendant is indebted to the plaintiff, or received to the plaintiff's use, the sum of money or tobacco claimed by him, whereby the plaintiff's action accrued to him according to the form of this act, without setting forth the special matter; but if the party sues on the sheriff's bond, he shall recover only his debt, interest and cost.

Persons refus-  
ing to pay,  
&c. may be  
executed, &c.

XXIX. *And be it enacted*, That no prosecution or suit shall be commenced for any penalty or forfeiture imposed by this act, unless within one year from the time of the offence committed.

Suits to be  
commenced  
within one  
year.

XXX. *And be it enacted*, That all officers fees herein before rated and established, when paid in tobacco, shall be paid in inspectors notes, and that there shall be made to the party chargeable and paying the same in inspectors notes, an allowance or discount, at the rate of ten pounds of tobacco per centum.

Fees paid in  
tobacco to be  
in inspectors  
notes.

XXXI. *And be it enacted*, That for all services already done by any of the officers aforesaid, acting under the authority of the convention or

Fees already  
due to be paid  
according to  
the foregoing  
tables.