

bricks by themselves, and stock bricks by themselves, and place bricks shall be not less than nine inches long, and two inches and an half thick, and four inches and a quarter wide, and stock bricks shall be of the same dimensions as to the length and breadth, and one eighth of an inch thicker; and if any person shall burn any bricks for sale as aforesaid, in any other manner than before directed, or of less dimensions than before prescribed, such person shall forfeit all bricks by him burnt in any other manner, or of less dimensions, and also thirty shillings current money for every one thousand bricks burnt by him in any other manner, or made by him of less dimensions, contrary to this act.

II. **And be it enacted,** That after the first day of November next all earth for making bricks for sale within the said city, or within five miles thereof, shall be dug and turned up between the first day of October and the first day of March, and no part of the earth so dug and turned up shall be made into bricks until after the first day of April, and no bricks shall be made for sale within the said city, or within five miles thereof, but between the first day of April and the first day of November; and if any person shall make any bricks for sale as aforesaid but between the first day of April and the first day of November; and if any person shall make any bricks for sale as aforesaid, of earth not dug and turned up between the days above limited, or shall make any bricks for sale but between the days above expressed, such person shall forfeit all bricks by him so made, and also thirty shillings current money for every thousand bricks by him made contrary to this act.

Earth to be dug up between October and March, &c.

III. **And be it enacted,** That it shall be lawful for any person to seize, take and carry away, all bricks made contrary to, and forfeited by, this act, and if sued therefor he may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence.

Bricks may be seized, &c.

C H A P. L.

An ACT to continue and amend an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals.

Passed December 27.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, so far as the same is not altered or amended by this act, shall be and is hereby continued, and shall remain in full force for one year, and until the end of the next session of assembly thereafter.

An act continued.

II. **And be it enacted,** That the governor and council be authorized and requested, instead of the commission directed to be issued by the said act, to issue a commission to one person of integrity, experience, and sound legal knowledge, (who shall reside in Baltimore county, and be styled in the commission Chief Justice of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery for Baltimore County,) and to four other persons of integrity, experience and knowledge, residents of the said county for six months next before their appointment, (who shall be styled in the commission Associate Justices of the said court;) and the said chief justice and associate justices shall hold their commissions during good behaviour, and may be removed for misbehaviour in the same manner as the chancellor or the judges may be removed agreeably to the constitution of this state, and not otherwise; and the said chief justice and four associate justices, or any two of them, or the chief justice alone, shall constitute the court of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery erected and established in Baltimore county in virtue of the act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, and shall have, possess and execute, the same jurisdiction, power and duties, as are vested in, or required of, the said court by the said act, and any one of the said associate justices shall have, possess and execute, the same jurisdiction and power, when in court, as is given to and vested in any one justice, in court sitting, in virtue of the said act; and the said chief justice and four associate justices, or any two of them, out of court, shall have, possess and execute, the same jurisdiction, power and

Governor, &c. to issue a commission to one person, &c.