

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That the general court, and every county court, of this state, (except the county court of Baltimore county,) shall have the same power, and may pass judgment in the same manner, against any criminal convicted before them for any of the crimes herein before enumerated, as is given and allowed by this act to the justices appointed in virtue thereof; and in case of the conviction and adjudication of any slave or servant to serve and labour agreeably to this act, the court before whom they shall be so convicted and adjudged shall value them; and if convicted and adjudged in the general court, the valuation shall be paid to the owner by the treasurer of the western or eastern shore, where such slave or servant shall be convicted; and if convicted and adjudged in any county court, the valuation shall be assessed in the county assessment, and paid to the owner by the collector thereof; and the general court may order any criminal, so convicted and adjudged before them, to be conveyed, at the expence of the state, and any county court may order any criminal, so convicted and adjudged before them, to be conveyed, at the expence of such county, and delivered to the person or persons appointed to take care of the criminals in Baltimore county, and the said person or persons are hereby directed and required to receive, and work and treat, such criminal, in the same manner as the criminals convicted in Baltimore county; and every criminal, so conveyed to Baltimore county, shall be subject, in every respect, to the regulations and provisions herein before prescribed, respecting the criminals convicted in Baltimore county; and every county sending a criminal to Baltimore county, shall pay, at the time of delivery of such criminal, to the person or persons to whom such criminal shall be delivered, the sum of five pounds current money, 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.

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LVII.
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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.

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