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XXXII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any such offender, sentenced to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary, shall escape, he or she shall, on conviction thereof, suffer such additional confinement and hard labour, agreeable to the directions of this act, and shall also suffer such corporal punishment, not extending to life or limb, as the court of over and terminer and gaol delivery for Baltimore county shall adjudge and direct.

XXXIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any keeper, deputy, assistant, or other person, shall wilfully and corruptly aid and assist in the escape of any offender confined in the penitentiary, every such keeper, deputy, assistant, or other person, upon being duly convicted thereof, shall be sentenced to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary for a term of time not more than fifteen years.

XXXIV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That in order to prevent the introduction of contagious disorders, every person who shall be ordered to hard labour in the penitentiary, shall be separately washed and cleaned, and shall continue in such separate lodging until, in the opinion of the inspectors, he or she is fit to be received among the other prisoners, and the cloaths in which such person shall then be cloathed, shall either be burnt, or, at the discretion of two of the said inspectors, be builed, baked, fumigated, or carefully laid by, until the expiration of the time for which such offender shall be sentenced to hard labour, to be then returned to him or her.

XXXV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the walls of the cells and apartments in the said penitentiary shall be whitewashed with lime and water at least twice in every year, and the floors of the said cells and apartments shall be washed once in every week, or oftener, if the said inspectors shall so direct, by one or more of the said prisoners in rotation, who, at the discretion of the said keeper, shall have an extra allowance of diet for so doing; and the said prisoners shall be allowed to walk and air themselves for such stated time as their health may require, and the keeper shall permit; and if proper employment can be found, such prisoners may be permitted, with the approbation of one of the inspectors, to work in the yard, provided such airing and working in the yard be in the presence, or within the view, of the keeper, or his deputies or assistants.

XXXVI. And BE IT ENACTED, That one or more of the apartments in the penitentiary shall be fitted up as an infirmary, and in case any such offender, being sick, shall, upon examination of a physician, be found to require it, he or she shall be removed to the infirmary, and his or her name shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose, and when such physician shall report to the said keeper that such offender is in a proper condition to quit the infirmary, and return to his or her employment, such report shall be entered by the said keeper in the book kept for that purpose, and the keeper shall order him or her back to his or her former labour, so far as the same may be consistent with his or her state of health.

XXXVII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the governor and council for the time being of this state shall, and they are hereby required, to appoint a suitable person to be keeper of the said penitentiary, who shall, however, be removed whenever occasion may require, in which case another shall from time to time be appointed in like manner, who shall receive such compensation for his services, and in lieu of all fees and gratuities by reason or under colour of the said office, as the legislature from time to time shall direct, to be paid in quarterly payments, to be drawn from the treasury of the western shore, and also five per centum on the sales of all articles manufactured by the said criminals; and such keeper shall have power to appoint a suitable number of deputies and assistants, who shall also receive such allowances as the legislature shall think just, which allowances shall be paid quarterly in like manner; and before any such keeper shall exercise any part of the said office, he shall give bond to the state, with two sufficient sureties, to be approved of by the governor and council, in the sum of two thousand dollars, upon condition, that he, his deputies and assistants, shall well and faithfully perform the trust and duties in them reposed; which said bond, being executed before, and certified by, the governor and council, under the great seal of the state, shall be legal evidence in all courts of law in any suit, against such keeper, or his deputies and assistants.

XXXVIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the governor and council for the time being of this state shall, sometime in the month of December, annually, appoint twelve inspectors of the said penitentiary-house aforesaid, and if any person so appointed, and having accepted said appointment, shall refuse to serve in the said office, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by action of debt, and applied towards defraying the annual expenses of said institution; the said inspectors, seven of whom shall be a quorum, shall meet once in every three months, in an apartment to be provided for that purpose in the said penitentiary, and may be especially convened by the keeper,