

expiration of sixty days from the time that an account of such fees shall be delivered to the person so charged or left at his last place of abode, unless such person shall be about to abscond or remove, or conceal his effects.

Dec Ses. 1822

3. *And be it enacted,* That every officer entitled to any fees under the laws of this state for rendering services to any person who is not a resident of this state, or not assessed on taxable property therein, may require such fees to be paid at the time of rendering such service or security for the payment of the same.

Non residents-
&c.

CHAPTER 220.

An act relating to certain criminal cases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Harford county court shall be, and is hereby authorised to transmit any criminal case now depending in the said court, which did not originate in the said court, either to Baltimore county court or Baltimore city court, and to forward all papers therein accordingly, *Provided,* that the same shall be done with the assent of the attorney general or his deputy, and of the traverser or traversers, or his or their counsel and the court to whom any case may be transmitted in virtue of this act, shall be, and is hereby authorised and required to proceed therein in the same manner as if such case had originated in the said court.

Passed Feb
24, 1823.
Court author-
ised.

Proviso

CHAPTER 221.

A supplement to the act entitled, An act to carry into execution a resolve of the Congress of the United States respecting the safe keeping of persons committed under the authority of the United States, to gaols of this state.

Passed Feb.
24, 1823.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the several sheriffs of this state shall be entitled to receive the sum of thirty cents per day as a compensation for keeping and supporting in their respective gaols each prisoner committed under the authority of the United States.

Allowance to
sheriffs.

2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall not be the duty of any of the said sheriffs to receive into his gaol, or to retain therein or in his custody, any prisoner committed or arrested under the authority of the United States, except such as are or shall be committed or arrested for offences against the constitution or the laws of the United States, unless the compensation for keeping and supporting such prisoner as aforesaid, shall be paid or secured to be paid to the satisfaction of such sheriff; and the sheriff shall be entitled to receive such compensation in advance, and in default of payment for any prisoner in his custody, may discharge such prisoner or permit him to go at large; *Provided,* that before any prisoner in jail at the time of passing this act, shall be discharged or permitted to go at large in virtue thereof, the sheriff in whose custody such prisoner may be, shall deliver a written statement of his claim of compensation for keeping and supporting such prisoner to the plaintiff at whose suit such person shall be, or is imprisoned, or if more than one action to the plaintiff in each, or to the attorney or attorneys of such plaintiff or plaintiffs, with notice, that unless such claim, and also the accruing compensation for supporting such prisoner shall be paid within ten days from the delivering of such statement and notice, the said prisoner will be discharged from gaol.

Security for
payment. &c.

Proviso

5. *And be it enacted,* That if any action shall be brought against any sheriff or gaoler for the escape of any prisoner discharged or per-

General issue