

any wall or fence, or shall cause or induce any person so to do, he or she shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be adjudged to be fined, not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the jail of the county, not exceeding six months, or both, in the discretion of the court before which any such person shall be fined and convicted; and if such offender be a slave, for such offence, on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace, he shall be by such justice adjudged to suffer punishment by whipping, not exceeding thirty-nine lashes.

Section 2. And be it enacted, That if any person shall, with intent to benefit himself or herself, or maliciously with intent to injure the owner or owners, or lawful possessor or possessors of any land, cut down, destroy or injure, or convert to his own use, or carry away, any wood to the value of one dollar, he or she shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the jail of the county not exceeding six months, or both, in the discretion of the court before which any such person may be tried and convicted; and if such offender be a slave, for such offence, on conviction thereof before a justice of the peace, he shall be by such justice adjudged to suffer punishment by whipping not exceeding thirty-nine lashes.

And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the county court, judges, or some one thereof, at each term of the court in which they sit, to give this act in charge to grand jury.

Which amendment was read the first time.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 9th, 1831.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The president laid before the senate a communication from the executive, enclosing a communication from the president of the United States, accompanied by a report of the Secretary of War, in answer to the application made for the appointment of one or more of the United States' engineers, to make a survey of the coast, between cape Charles and Lewis town; which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

Mr. Herbert, from the committee, made a favourable report upon the resolution requesting the governor to cause to be bound up the pamphlet laws of the several states and terri-