

CHAPTER 173.

AN Act to continue in Force the Acts of Assembly which would expire with the present session of the General Assembly.

Expiring acts continued.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all such acts or parts of acts, as would expire with the present session of the general assembly, be and the same are hereby re-enacted and continued in force to the last Monday of December next, and to the end of the session of the general assembly thereafter; *Provided however,* that this act shall not extend to any acts or parts of acts, which shall have been repealed, or in any wise modified at the present session of the general assembly.

Exceptions.

CHAPTER 200.

AN ACT concerning Crimes and Punishments.

Persons guilty of entering, &c. with intent to injure—property or person.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That if any person or persons shall enter into any dwelling-house, out-house, stable, barn, warehouse, storehouse, banking-house, factory, workshop, court-house, church, mill-house, or any building occupied in part or in whole, by any of the public municipal or private corporations of this state, or upon any vessel, or upon any yard where lumber, coal, or any sort of goods and chattels are deposited or kept for the purposes of trade, with the intent maliciously to injure or destroy any of the buildings aforesaid or any part thereof, or any property or effects thereon being found, or any property or effects deposited or kept in or upon any vessel or yard, or with the intent to slay, kill, maim or tar and feather any person or persons, being in or upon any of premises aforesaid, each and every person herein offending shall upon conviction thereof be punished by confinement in the penitentiary, for a term not less than two years, nor more than twenty years, to be there dealt with according to law.

Penalty prescribed.

Jurisdiction of such crimes.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the several courts of this state having jurisdiction over crimes, shall within their respective jurisdiction have cognizance of the crimes herein before declared and enacted as in other cases.

Free negroes previously sentenced to the penitentiary, and found guilty of second offence, &c. may be sold out of the state.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the judges of the several courts in the state having criminal jurisdiction, shall upon the conviction of any free negro or mulatto, inquire into the fact whether such negro or mulatto has been previously sentenced to undergo confinement in the penitentiary, and if any court shall find to their satisfaction that any such convict has been previously sentenced at any former term of any court or courts of this state, to confinement therein, that then it shall be lawful for such court to order such negro or mulatto to be sold, at the discretion of the court, for a term of years, without the limits of