

such infant to comply with the terms of its judgment; but such infant shall not be bound to service in the county or city where the conviction was had, nor for a term extending beyond the age of eighteen years in females, and twenty-one in males.

P. G. L., (1860,) art. 30, sec. 185. 1854, ch. 155, sec. 1 1888, ch. 438.

296. All infants over twelve and under the age of fifteen years, who may be convicted of mayhem, murder in the second degree, manslaughter, assault with intent to commit murder or mayhem, or of setting fire to any building, tenement, or property, the setting fire to which is punishable by confinement in the penitentiary in the case of adults, shall be sentenced to the penitentiary for the said crime in the same manner as if they were of full age, or, in the discretion of the court, may be confined in the house of refuge or Saint Mary's industrial school, or house of reformation and instruction for colored children.

Ibid sec. 186 1854, ch 155, sec. 3.

297. Any court in this State having criminal jurisdiction, may bind out to the managers of any house of refuge, or other institution under police regulations within the limits of the said State, all infants over twelve and under the age of fifteen years, until they shall arrive at an age of not less than eighteen nor more than twenty-one years, who shall be convicted of any offence punishable in adults by confinement in the penitentiary, other than those specified in the preceding section.

Ibid. sec 187. 1854, ch. 155, sec. 2.

298. It shall be the duty of every court having criminal jurisdiction to examine into the character of all infants convicted of offences for which they may be bound as apprentices under the preceding section, and to exercise a sound discretion in determining whether the said infant so convicted should be bound out in accordance with existing laws, or should be sentenced to the penitentiary in the same manner with adults convicted of like crimes, and to bind out or sentence such infants accordingly.

Ibid. sec. 188. 1856, ch. 156, sec. 2.

299. It shall be the duty of the courts of this State, in sentencing convicts to the penitentiary, to sentence them for such a