

1 at 1817; 1 at 1818; 7 at 1819; 20 at 1820; 27 at 1821; 346 at 1822. Total 418 under continuance. Causes sent to court of Appeals—17 at 1820; 30 at 1821; 18 at 1822. Total 65. There have been no precedendoes, I can give no information as to the number of judgments affirmed in the court of appeals. Appeals from the judgments of Magistrates—11 at 1820; 5 at 1821; 3 at 1822. Total 19. There is no rule in this court, respecting judgments attained before Magistrates and appealed to this court, the court have directed the subpoenas to be returned the first day of court, but the parties are not generally ready on that day.

The court held at Easton, Talbot county, met on the third Monday in May, eighteen hundred and twenty, and continued its sitting till the twenty-fourth of May, and then adjourned till the 5th day of June eighteen hundred and twenty, and adjourned until the thirteenth of November, which was the day the November court met, from which day the court adjourned from day to day until the eighteenth day of the same month, the court then adjourned until the twenty-seventh day of same month, until the May court following; they set at May term, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, on the twenty-first of the month, and continued its sitting from day to day, until the fourth day of June, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, and continued its sitting the 6th of June, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, and then adjourned until the November court in course; the court met on the twelfth day of November, eighteen hundred and twenty-one, and continued sitting until the 17th of the same month, and then adjourned until the twenty-fifth of the same month, and adjourned until twentieth of May eighteen hundred and twenty-two, at the May term eighteen hundred and twenty-two, the court continued sitting day after day until the twenty-eighth day of the same month, & then adjourned until the 3d day of June then next, and then the court continued sitting from day to day until the 4th of June, and then adjourned until the next November term; the court met on the eleventh day of November, eighteen hundred and twenty-two, and continued sitting until the eighteenth day of the same month, and then adjourned until the twenty-fifth of the same, on the twenty-fifth no judge appearing, the clerk adjourned the court until the twenty-sixth of the same month, one of the judges appearing, adjourned the court until twenty-seventh of the same month, on which day the judge attended, and adjourned the court until the next May court.

The criminal appearance docket is commonly called over the first day of the court, and returns entered, but there has been no particular time in the court appropriated to the trial of causes. Trials which took place in the first three years, and when they originated—8 at 1820; 12 at 1821; 3 at 1822. The court meets at nine o'clock, P. M. at May term, and adjourns at three o'clock P. M. The court meet at half past 9 o'clock, A. M. at the November term, and adjourn at 3 o'clock P. M.

J. LOOCKERMAN, Ck. Talbot County Court.  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, January 1, 1823.

In obedience to an order of the select committee upon the administration of justice, of the 10th December 1822, I transmit to the clerk of the house of delegates of Maryland, as directed such information upon all the points required, as circumstances and the means within my reach will allow.

O. H. WILLIAMS, Ck. of Washington County Court.

JOHN BREWER, Esquire, Clerk of the House of Delegates, Maryland.

Suits brought to each term of Washington county court, for the three last years to wit: from 31st December 1819, to 31st December eighteen hundred and twenty-two, inclusive March term, eighteen hundred and 20 365; of the above were tried at March term, 1821, 20; judgments confessed, 218; renewed to Nov. 1820, 50; continued to 1821, 29; referred 4; dismissed 44—365 November term, eighteen hundred and twenty, four hundred and eighty-two; tried at Nov. term, 1821, 14; judgments confessed, 277; renewed to March term 1821, 50; continued to March term 1822, 20; referred 1; dismissed 120—482. March term eighteen hundred and twenty-one three hundred and twenty; tried at March term 1822, 8; judgments confessed, 177; renewed to Nov. court 1821, 46; continued to Nov. court 1822, 33; referred 2; dismissed 54—320. November term eighteen hundred twenty-one 486; tried at Nov. term 1822, 17; renewed to March term 1822, 51; judgments confessed Nov. term eighteen hundred and twenty-two 285; continued to March term 1823, 19; dismissed 114—486. March term eighteen hundred and twenty-two 356; Judgments confessed same court 24; renewed to Nov. term 1822, 41; dismissed 61; for judgments &c. at March term 1823, 230—356. November term 1822, to 31st December 1822, inclusive 417; continuances on law docket from 1822 to 1823, 19; do. on reference docket from 1801 to 1822, 44. N. B. most of the cases on the reference docket are settled long since. March court 1820, trials originated at March 1819, 8; November court eighteen hundred and twenty, trials originated at November court 1819, 19—27. Equity docket, cases commenced 5th Dec. 1817, 1; 1st July 1817, 1; from 3d of August 1818, to 6th Nov. 1818, 6; thence to 1st June 1820, 6; from 31st Oct. 1820, to twenty-first October 1821, 7; from 7th Dec. eighteen hundred and twenty-one, to 31st Dec. 1822, 29—50. March term eighteen hundred twenty, presentments 30; tried and convicted 5; submission and fine 1; criminal writs to Nov. 24—30. Nov. term 1820, presentments 67; tried and convicted 8; tried and acquitted 8; submissions 19; noli prosequere 5. March term 1821, presentments thirty-two; trials and convictions 3; trials and acquittals 11; submissions twenty-seven; noli prosequere eight. November term eighteen hundred twenty-one, presentments 61; trials and convictions twenty-two; trials and acquittals 10; submissions 9; noli prosequere 1. March term eighteen hundred and twenty-two, presentments 55; trials and convictions 7; trials and acquittals 6; submissions 19; noli prosequere 1. November term eighteen hundred and twenty-two, presentments 106; trials and convictions twelve; trials and acquittals 7; submissions twenty-three; ignoramus two. It is impracticable to say "what portion of each term, has been appropriated the trial of criminal cases," they are usually taken up in the com-