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THE

CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

OF THE

STATE OF TEXAS

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AUSTIN: STATE PRINTING-OFFICE. 1887. Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the following articles shall hereafter constitute the CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE of the State of Texas, to wit:

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OF

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ARTICLE 1. It is hereby declared that this Code is intended to embrace Objects of this rules applicable to the prevention and prosecution of offenses against the (Act Feb. 15, laws of this state, and to make the rules of proceeding in respect to the 1868.) prevention and punishment of offenses intelligible to the officers who are 1856.) to act under them, and to all persons whose rights are to be affected by C.C.P. 1. them. It seeks-

To adopt measures for preventing the commission of crime.
 To exclude the offender from all hope of escape.

3. To insure a trial with as little delay as shall be consistent with the ends of justice.

4. To bring to the investigation of each offense, on the trial, all the evidence tending to produce conviction or acquittal.

5. To insure a fair and impartial trial; and,6. The certain execution of the sentence of the law when declared. 5

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Person shall not be disqualified as a witness for religious opinion, or want of religious belief.

ART. 2. In order to collect together, for the convenience of officers and all others charged with the enforcement of the laws, the material provisions of the constitution of this state respecting the prosecution of offenses, the following provisions of said instrument are here inserted:

ART. 3. No citizen of this state shall be deprived of life, liberty, property or privileges, outlawed, exiled, or in any manner disfranchised, except by due course of the law of the land. (Bill of Rights, sec. 19.)

ART. 4. In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall have a speedy public trial by an impartial jury. He shall have the right to demand the nature and cause of the accusation against him, and to have a copy thereof. He shall not be compelled to give evidence against himself. He shall have the right of being heard by himself or counsel, or both; shall be confronted with the witnesses against him and shall have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor. And no person shall be held to answer for a criminal offense, unless on indictment of a grand jury, except in cases in which the punishment is by fine, or imprisonment otherwise than in the penitentiary; in cases of impeachment and in cases arising in the army and navy, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger. (Bill of Rights, sec. 10.)

ART. 5. The people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions from all unreasonable seizures or searches; and no warrant to search any place, or to seize any person or thing, shall issue without describing them as near as may be, nor without probable cause supported by oath or affirmation. (Bill of Rights, sec. 9.)

ART. 6. All prisoners shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, unless for capital offenses, where the proof is evident; but this provision shall not be so construed as to prevent bail after indictment found, upon examination of the evidence in such manner as may be prescribed by law. (Bill of Rights, sec. 11.)

ART. 7. The writ of *habeas corpus* is a writ of right, and shall never be suspended. (Bill of Rights, sec. 12.)

ART. 8. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel or unusual punishment inflicted. All courts shall be open, and every person, for an injury done him in his lands, goods, person or reputation, shall have remedy by due course of law. (Bill of Rights, sec. 13.)

ART. 9. No person for the same offense shall be twice put in jeopardy of life or liberty; nor shall a person be again put upon trial for the same offense after a verdict of not guilty in a court of competent jurisdiction. (Bill of Rights, sec. 14.)

ART. 10. The right of trial by jury shall remain inviolate. (Bill of Rights, sec. 15.)

ART. 11. Every person shall be at liberty to speak, write or publish his opinion on any subject, being responsible for the abuse of that privilege; and no law shall ever be passed curtailing the liberty of speech or of the press. In prosecutions for the publication of papers investigating the conduct of officers or men in public capacity, or when the matter published is proper for public information, the truth thereof may be given in evidence. And in all indictments for libels the jury shall have the right to determine the law and the facts, under the direction of the court, as in other cases. (Bill of Rights, sec. 8.)

ART. 12. No person shall be disqualified to give evidence in any of the courts of this state on account of his religious opinions, or for the want of any religious belief; but all oaths or affirmations shall be administered in the mode most binding upon the conscience, and shall be taken subject to the pains and penalties of perjury. (Bill of Rights, sec. 5.)

ART. 13. No citizen shall be outlawed; nor shall any person be trans- Outlawry and transportation ported out of the state for any offense committed within the same. (Bill prohibited. of Rights, sec. 20.)

No conviction shall work corruption of blood or forfeiture of Conviction shall not work ART. 14. (Bill of Rights, sec. 21.) estate.

ART. 15. No person shall be convicted of treason, except on the testi- No conviction mony of two witnessess to the same overt act, or on confession in open cept, etc. (Bill of Rights, sec. 22.) court.

ART. 16. Senators and representatives shall, except in cases of treason, Privileg of felony or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during the session representaof the legislature, and in going to and returning from the same, allowing one day for every twenty miles such member may reside from the place at which the legislature is convened. (State Constitution, art. 3, sec. 14.)

Voters shall, in all cases except treason, felony or breach of Privilege of ART. 17. the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at elections, (State Constitution, art. 6, and in going to and returning therefrom. sec. 5.)

The power to change the venue in civil and criminal cases Change of Art. 18. shall be vested in the courts, to be exercised in such manner as shall be (State Constitution, art. 3, sec. 45.) provided by law.

ART. 19. All judges of the supreme court, court of appeals and district Conservatore of the peace courts shall, by virtue of their offices, be conservators of the peace throughout the state. The style of all writs and process shall be "The State of Texas." All prosecutions shall be carried on in the name and by Style of pro-

the authority of "The State of Texas," and conclude, "against the peace cess, etc and dignity of the state." (State Constitution, art. 5, sec. 12.)

ART. 20. By the provisions of the constitution, and to be sold and the exempt in what cases accused may be from a second trial for the same offense, who has been convicted upon an tried, etc., at illegal indictment or information, and the judgment thereupon arrested; ter conviction. C.C.P. 19. nor where a new trial has been granted to the defendant, nor where a jury has been discharged without rendering a verdict, nor for any cause other than that of a legal conviction.

ART. 21. By the provisions of the constitution, an acquittal of the Same subject. C.C.P. 30. defendant exempts him from a second trial or a second prosecution for the same offense, however irregular the proceedings may have been; but if the defendant shall have been acquitted upon trial in a court having no jurisdiction of the offense, he may, nevertheless, be prosecuted again in a court having jurisdiction.

ART. 22. No person can be convicted of a felony except upon the No conviction of felony ex-erdict of a jury duly rendered and recorded. verdict of a jury duly rendered and recorded.

The defendant to a criminal prosecution for any offense may Defendant may ART. 23. waive any right secured to him by law, except the right of trial by jury right, except, in a felony case.

The proceedings and trials in all courts shall be public. ART. 24.

The defendant upon a trial shall be confronted with the Defendant shall be confirmed with the shall be confirmed w witnesses, except in certain cases provided for in this Code, where deposi- fronted by wittions have been taken.

The provisions of this Code shall be liberally construed, so as Construction ART. 26. to attain the objects intended by the legislature, the prevention, suppression and punishment of crime.

Whenever it is found that this Code fails to provide a rule of When rules of ART. 27. procedure in any particular state of case which may arise, the rules of the common law shall be applied and govern.

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I. THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

ARTICLE 28. It is the duty of the attorney-general to represent the state in all criminal cases in the court of appeals, except in cases where he may have been employed adversely to the state, previously to his election; and he shall not appear as counsel against the state in any court.

ART. 29. He shall report to the governor on the first Monday of December, annually, and at such other times as the governor may require, the number of indictments which have been found by grand juries in this state for the preceding year; the number of informations filed in this state for the preceding year; the offenses charged in such indictments or information; the number of arraignments, convictions and acquittals for each offense; the number of indictments and informations which have been disposed of without the intervention of a petit jury, with the cause and manner of such disposition; and also a summary of the judgments rendered on conviction, specifying the offense, the nature and amount of penalties imposed, and the amount of fines collected.

ART. 30. He may require the several district and county attorneys, clerks of the district and county courts in the state, to communicate to him at such times as he may designate, and in such form as he may prescribe, all the information necessary for his compliance with the requirements of the preceding article.

II. DISTRICT AND COUNTY ATTORNEYS.

ART. 31. It is the duty of each district attorney to represent the state in all criminal cases in the district courts of his district, except in cases where he has been, before his election, employed adversely, and he shall not appeal as counsel against the state, in any court, and he shall not, after the expiration of his term of office, appear as counsel against the state in any case in which he may have appeared as counsel for the state. ART. 32. When any criminal proceeding is had before an examining court in his district, or before a judge upon habeas corpus, and he is notified of the same, and is at the time within the county where such proceeding is had, he shall represent the state therein, unless prevented by other official duties.

Attorney-general shall represent the state, etc. C.C.P. 28.

Shall report to governor annually. P.D. 201.

May require certain officers to report to him. P.D. 202. C.C.P. 944.

Duties of district attorneys. C.C.P. 30.

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ART. 33. It shall be the duty of the county attorney to attend the Duties of counterms of the county and inferior courts of his county attorney to attend the butes of count the state in all criminal cases under examination or prosecution in said (Act Aug. 21, courts. He shall attend all criminal prosecutions before justices of the 1876, p. 83.) peace in his county, when notified of the pendency of such prosecutions, \$21.) and when not prevented by other official duties. He shall conduct ad and when not prevented by other official duties. He shall conduct all prosecutions for crimes and offenses cognizable in such county and inferior courts of his county, and shall prosecute and defend all other actions in such courts in which the state or the county is interested. He shall also attend the terms of the district court in his county, and if there be a district attorney of the district including such county, and such district attorney be in attendance upon such court, the county attorney shall aid him when so requested, and when there is no such district attorney, or when he is absent, the county attorney shall represent the state in such court and perform the duties required by law of district attorneys.

ART. 34. It shall be the duty of the district or county attorney to pre- Duty to present sent to the court having jurisdiction, any officer, by information, for the lect of duty, neglect or failure of any duty enjoined upon such officer, when such neglect etc. or failure can be presented by information, whenever it shall come to the 1876, p. 86.) knowledge of said attorney that there has been a neglect or failure of duty upon the part of said officer; and it shall be his duty to bring to the notice of the grand jury all acts of violation of law, or neglect or failure of duty upon the part of any officer, when such violation, neglect or failure are not presented by information, and whenever the same may come to his knowledge.

ART. 35. Upon complaint being made before a district or county attor- Shall hear com-ney that an offense has been committed in his district or county, he shall what the same reduce the complaint to writing, and cause the same to be signed and shall contain. sworn to by the complainant, and it shall be duly attested by said attor-isre, p. 87, \$13.) ney. Said complaint shall state the name of the accused, if his name is known, and if his name is not known it shall describe him as fully as possible, and the offense with which he is charged shall be stated in plain and intelligible words, and it must appear that the offense was committed in the county where the complaint is filed, and within a time not barred by limitation.

Note.—Chapter 42, acts 1879, makes it the special duty of the county attorney to Special duty to file or have filed complaints against all keepers of houses where liquor is sold for file complains violations of the "local option" law.—L.

ART. 36. If the offense be a misdemeanor, the attorney shall forthwith Duty when prepare an information, and file the same, together with the complaint, in been made, the court having jurisdiction of the offense. If the offense charged be a (Act Aug. 7, felony, he shall forth with file the complaint with a magistrate of the 1976, p. 87, §15.) felony, he shall forthwith file the complaint with a magistrate of the county, and cause the necessary process to be issued for the arrest of the accused.

ART. 37. For the purposes mentioned in the two preceding articles, May adminis-strict and county attorneys are authorized to administer oaths. Act Aug. 7. 1873, p. 57, §14.) district and county attorneys are authorized to administer oaths.

The district or county attorney shall not dismiss a case unless shall not dis-ART. 38. he shall file a written statement with the papers in the case, setting out miss case, un-his reasons for such dismissal, which reasons shall be incorporated in the (Act Aug. , judgment of dismissal, and no case shall be dismissed without the permission of the presiding judge, who shall be satisfied that the reasons so stated are good and sufficient to authorize such dismissal.

ART. 39. Whenever any district or county attorney shall fail to attend Attorney pro any term of the district, county or justice's court, the judge of said court, appended or such justice, may appoint some competent attorney to perform the (Act Aug. 7 duties of such district or county attorney, who shall be allowed the same duties of such district or county attorney, who shall be allowed the same compensation for his services as are allowed the district or county attor-

Said appointment shall not extend beyond the term of the court at ney. which it is made, and shall be vacated upon the appearance of the district or county attorney.

ART. 40. District and county attorneys shall, when required by the attorney-general, report to him at such times, and in accordance with such forms as he may direct, such information as he may desire in relation to criminal matters and the interests of the state, in their districts and counties.

District and county attorneys shall not be of counsel adversely ART. 41. to the state in any case, in any court, nor shall they, after they cease to be such officers, be of counsel adversely to the state in any case in which they have been of counsel for the state.

III. MAGISTRATES.

Either of the following officers is a "magistrate" within the ART. 42. meaning of this Code: the judges of the supreme court, the judges of the court of appeals, the judges of the district court, the county judge of the county, either of the county commissioners, the justices of the peace, the mayor or recorder of an incorporated city or town.

It is the duty of every magistrate to preserve the peace ÅRT. 43. within his jurisdiction by the use of all lawful means; to issue all process intended to aid in preventing and suppressing crime; to cause the arrest of offenders, by the use of lawful means, in order that they may be brought to punishment.

IV. PEACE OFFICERS.

The following are "peace officers": the sheriff and his depu-ART. 44. ties, constable, the marshal, constable or policeman of an incorporated town or city, and any private person specially appointed to execute criminal process.

NOTE.-Section 6, chapter 123, acts 1879, clothes the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of a military company, organized under the act, with the powers of peace officers, and requires them to aid the civil authorities in the execution of the law. They have authority to make arrests, but are to be governed in such cases by the law regulating sheriffs in the discharge of similar duty, and are to take an oath to discharge such duty faithfully and in accordance with law.—L.

It is the duty of every peace officer to preserve the peace ART. 45. within his jurisdiction. To effect this purpose he shall use all lawful He shall, in every case where he is authorized by the provisions means. of this Code, interfere without warrant to prevent or suppress crime. He shall execute all lawful process issued to him by any magistrate or court. He shall give notice to some magistrate of all offenses committed within his jurisdiction, where he has good reason to believe there has been a violation of the penal law. He shall arrest offenders without warrant in every case where he is authorized by law, in order that they may be taken before the proper magistrate or court and be brought to punishment.

Whenever a peace officer meets with resistance in discharging ART. 46. any duty imposed upon him by law, he shall summon a sufficient number of citizens of his county to overcome the resistance, and all persons summoned are bound to obey, and if they refuse are guilty of the offense prescribed in article 229 of the Penal Code.

Person refus-ing to obey, liable to prose-in performing any duty, shall report such person if he refuse to obey, to The peace officer who has summoned any person to assist him. the district or county attorney of the proper district or county, in order

that he may be prosecuted for the offense. ART. 48. If any sheriff or other officer shall willfully refuse or fail process may be from neglect, to execute any summons, subpæna or attachment for a witness, or any other legal process, which it is made his duty by law to execute, he shall be liable to a fine for contempt not less than ten nor more than two hundred dollars, at the discretion of the court having cognizance

Shall not be of counsel adverse to the state. C.C.P. 30.

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of the same, and the payment of said fine shall be enforced in the same manner as fines for contempt in civil cases.

V. SHERIFFS.

ART. 49. Each sheriff shall be a conservator of the peace in his county, Shall be a conand shall arrest all offenders against the laws of the state, in his view or hearing, and take them before the proper court for examination or trial. He shall quell and suppress all assaults and batteries, affrays, insurrections and unlawful accention. and unlawful assemblies. He shall apprehend and commit to jail all felons and other offenders, until an examination or trial can be had.

ART. 50. Each sheriff is the keeper of the jail of his county, and Keeper of jail. responsible for the safe keeping of all prisoners committed to his custody.

ART. 51. When a prisoner is committed to jail by lawful warrant from shall place in a magistrate or court, he shall be placed in jail by the sheriff; and it is a son committed violation of duty on the part of any sheriff to permit a defendant so com-by lawful aumitted to remain out of jail, except that he may, when a defendant is thority. committed for want of bail, or when he arrests after indictment or information in a bailable case, give the person arrested a reasonable time to procure bail, but in the meanwhile he shall so guard the accused as to prevent escape.

pe. The sheriff shall, at each term of the district or county court, Sheriff shall to the district or county attorney as to all prisoners in his cus-the authority under which he detains them. ART. 52. give notice to the district or county attorney as to all prisoners in his custody, and of the authority under which he detains them.

ART. 53. The sheriff may appoint a jailer to take charge of the jail, May appoint a jailer, who and supply the wants of those therein confined; and the person so shall be reappointed is responsible for the safety of prisoners, and liable to punishment as provided by law for negligently or willfully permitting a rescue But the sheriff shall, in all cases, exercise a supervision and or escape. control over the jail.

When there is no jail in a county, the sheriff may rent a May rent room and employ ART. 54. ART. 54. When there is no jain in a county, see shall be paid by guard, when suitable house and employ guards, all of which expenses shall be paid by guard, when the proper county.

Wherever a duty is imposed by this Code upon the sheriff, Deputy may perform dur the same duty may lawfully be performed by his deputy; and when there of sheriff, is no sheriff in a county, the duties of that office, as to all proceedings under the criminal law, devolve upon the officer who, under the law, is empowered to discharge the duties of sheriff, in cases of vacancy in the office.

VI. CLERKS OF THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COURTS.

ART. 56. It is the duty of every clerk of the district or county court Shall file all pa-ART. 56. It is the duty of every clerk of the district or county court bar bar bers, issue pro-to receive and file all papers in respect to criminal proceedings, to issue cess, etc. C.C.P. 47. all process in such cases, and to perform all other duties imposed upon them by this Code or the penal laws of this state, and a willful failure to perform any such duties renders them liable to prosecution for an offense, in accordance with the provisions of the Penal Code.

ART. 57. Whenever a duty is imposed upon the clerk of the district or Power of depucounty court the same may be lawfully performed by his deputy.

The clerks of the district and county courts shall, when shall report to ART. 58. required by the attorney-general, report to him at any such times, and in attorney-gen accordance with such forms as he may direct, such information in relation quired, to criminal matters as may be shown by the records in their respective offices.

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tion, how prosecuted. C.C.P. 51.

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"Examining "ourt" defined, C.C.P. 55, ARTICLE 59. All words and phrases used in this Code are to be taken and understood in their usual acceptation in common language, except where their meaning is particularly defined by law.

ART. 60. The words and terms made use of in this Code, unless herein specially excepted, have the meaning which is given to them in the Penal Code, and are to be construed and interpreted as therein declared.

ART. 61. A criminal action is prosecuted in the name of the State of Texas against the person accused, and is conducted by some officer or person acting under the authority of the state, in accordance with its laws.

ART. 62. The general term "officers" includes both magistrates and peace officers.

ART. 63. When a magistrate sits for the purpose of inquiring into a criminal accusation against any person, this is called an "examining court."

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WHAT COURTS HAVE CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

minal jurisdiction..... The following courts have jurisdiction in criminal actions: What courts have criminal jurisdiction. (Const., art. 5, What courts have criminal jurisdiction.....

ARTICLE 64.

1. The court of appeals.

2. The district courts.

3. The county courts.

4. The justices' courts, and the mayors' and other courts of incorporated cities or towns.

CHAPTER TWO.

OF THE COURT OF APPEALS.

ARTICLE 65. The court of appeals, or either of the judges thereof, has Power to issue original jurisdiction to inquire into the cause of the detention of persons witt of habeas imprisoned or detained in custody, and for this purpose may issue the writ (Const., art. 5, of habeas corpus, and upon the return thereof may remand such person to C.C.P. 58. custody, admit to bail or discharge the person imprisoned or detained, as the law and the nature of the case may require.

ART. 66. The court of appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction co-ex-tensive with the limits of the state in all criminal cases of whatever grade. (Const., art. 5,

ART. 67. The preceding article shall not be so construed as to embrace Does not ex-cases which have been appealed from justices', mayors' or other inferior cases courts to the county court, and in which the judgment rendered or fine (Act June 16, imposed by the county court shall not exceed one bundred dollars order (876, p. 18, §3.) imposed by the county court shall not exceed one hundred dollars, exclu-sive of cost. In such cases the judgment of the county court shall be final.

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ARTICLE 68. The district courts shall have exclusive original jurisdict. felonies. tion in criminal cases of the grade of felony.

ART. 69. Upon the trial of a felony case, whether the proof develop a Shall deterfelony or a misdemeanor, the court shall hear and determine the case as to of the offense. any degree of offense included in the charge.

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(Const. art. 5, §8.)

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1876, p. 18, §3.

Misdemeanors involving official misconduct. (Const., art. 5, §8.) Power to issue writs of habeas corpus. (Const., art. 5, §8.)

The district court shall have exclusive original jurisdiction in Авт. 70. cases of misdemeanor involving official misconduct.

ART. 71. The district courts and the judges thereof shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus in felony cases, and upon the return thereof may remand to custody, admit to bail, or discharge the person imprisoned or detained, as the law and the nature of the case may require.

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ARTICLE 72. The county courts shall have exclusive original jurisdic-Have exclusive jurisdiction of misdemeanors. tion of all misdemeanors, except misdemeanors involving official misconduct, and except cases in which the highest penalty or fine that may be imposed under the law, may not exceed two hundred dollars, and except in counties where there is established a criminal district court.

Power to for - ART. 73. County courts shall have jurisdiction in criminal cases, of fet bail bonds, final judgment of all bonds and recognizances taken in criminal cases, of which criminal cases said courts have jurisdiction.

> ART. 74. The county courts, or judges thereof, shall have the power to issue writs of *habeas corpus* in all cases in which the constitution has not conferred the power on the district courts or judges thereof; and upon the return of such writ may remand to custody, admit to bail, or discharge the person imprisoned or detained, as the law and nature of the case may require.

> ART. 75. The county courts shall have appellate jurisdiction in criminal cases, of which justices of the peace and other inferior tribunals have original jurisdiction.

> Nore.—Chapter 114, acts 1879, provides that in counties where the civil and criminal jurisdiction of county courts has been transferred to the district courts, appeals and writs of *certiorari* may be prosecuted to remove a cause tried before a justice of the peace to the district court, in the same manner as such appeals and writs are allowed by general law to remove causes to the county court.-L

CHAPTER FIVE.

OF JUSTICES' AND OTHER INFERIOR COURTS.

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ARTICLE 76. Justices of the peace shall have and exercise original concurrent jurisdiction with other courts in all cases arising under the criminal laws of this state in which the punishment is by fine only, and where the maximum of such fine may not exceed two hundred dollars, except in cases involving official misconduct.

They shall also have the power to take forfeitures of all bail-ART. 77. bonds given for the appearance of any parties at their courts, regardless of the amount, where the conditions of said bonds have not been complied with.

Mayors and recorders of incorporated cities or towns shall **ART.** 78. have and exercise the same jurisdiction as justices of the peace, within the limits of their respective corporations, and the provisions of this Code governing justices' courts shall apply to mayors' and recorders' courts.

ART. 79. Justices of the peace, mayors and recorders, may sit at any time to try criminal causes over which they have jurisdiction.

(Cons., §16.) (Act June 16, 1876, p. 18, §3.) etc. (Act June 16, 1876, p. 18, §3.) Power to issue writs of habeas writs of *hadeas* corpus. (Const., art. 5, \$16.) (Act June 16, 1876 p. 19, \$5.)

except, etc. (Const., art. 5,

Appellate jur-isdiction. (Const., art. 5, §16.) (Act June 16, 1876, p. 18, §3.)

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May sit at any time to try cases. C.C.P. 65.

TITLE III.

Of the Prevention and Suppression of Offenses. and the Warit of Habeas Corpus.

CHAPTER ONE.

OF PREVENTING OFFENSES BY THE ACT OF A PRIVATE PERSON.

ARTICLE 80. The commission of offenses may be prevented, either— May be prevented, how. 1. By lawful resistance; or, C.C.P. 66.

2. By the intervention of the officers of the law.

Resistance to the offender may be made as hereinafter pointed out, either by the person about to be injured, or by some person in his behalf.

by the person about to be injured, or by some person in this occurat. ART. 81. Resistance by the party about to be injured may be used to Rules as to pre-prevent the commission of any offense which, in the Penal Code, is classed resistance. C.C.P. 67. as an "offense against the person."

ART. 82. Resistance may also in like manner be made by the person same subject. about to be injured, to prevent any illegal attempt by force to take or injure property in his lawful possession.

ART. 83. The resistance which the person about to be injured may Resistance make, to prevent the commission of the offense, must be proportioned to portion to etc. the injury about to be inflicted. It must be only such as is necessary to repel the aggression.

ART. 84. If the person about to be injured, in respect either to his Same subject. person or property, uses a greater amount of force to resist such injury than is necessary to repel the aggressor and protect his own person or property, he is himself guilty of an illegal act, according to the nature and degree of the force which he has used.

ART. 85. Any person other than the party about to be injured may person, etc., also, by the use of necessary means, prevent the commission of the may prevent. C.C.P. 71. offense.

ART. 86. The same rules which regulate the conduct of the person Same rules shall govern about to be injured, in repelling the aggression, are also applicable to the in such cases conduct of him who interferes in behalf of such person. He may use a as, etc. C.C.P. 72. degree of force proportioned to the injury about to be inflicted, and no greater.

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ARTICLE 87. It is the duty of every magistrate when he may have heard, in any manner, that a threat has been made by one person to do some injury to the person or property of another, immediately to give notice to some peace officer, in order that such peace officer may use lawful means to prevent the injury.

ART. 88. Whenever, in the presence or within the observation of a magistrate, an attempt is made by one person to inflict an injury upon the person or property of another, it is his duty to use all lawful means to prevent the injury. This may be done either by verbal order to a peace officer to interfere and prevent the injury, or by the issuance of an order of arrest against the offender, or by arresting the offender; for which purpose he may call upon all persons present to assist in making the arrest.

ART. 89. If within the hearing of a magistrate one person shall threaten to take the life of another, he shall issue a warrant for the arrest of the person making the threat, or, in case of emergency, he may himself immediately arrest such person.

ART. 90. When the person making such threat is brought before a magistrate, he may compel him to give security to keep the peace, or commit him to custody in the manner hereafter provided.

ART. 91. It is the duty of every peace officer, when he may have been informed in any manner that a threat has been made by one person to do some injury to the person or property of another, to prevent the threatened injury, if within his power, and in order to do this he may call in aid any number of citizens in his county. He may take such measures as the person about to be injured might for the prevention of the offense.

ART. 92. Whenever, in the presence of a peace officer, or within his view, one person is about to commit an offense against the person or property of another, it is his duty to prevent it, and for this purpose he may summon any number of citizens of his county to his aid. He must use the amount of force necessary to prevent the commission of the offense, and no greater.

ART. 93. The conduct of peace officers, in preventing offenses about to tec., how regu-lated. be committed in their presence, or within their view, is to be regulated by the same rules as are prescribed to the action of the person about to be injured. They may use all force necessary to repel the aggression.

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ARTICLE 94. Whenever a magistrate is informed upon oath that an Magistrate offense is about to be committed against the person or property of the shall issue war informant, or of another, or that any person has threatened to commit vent, when c.C.P. 80. such offense, it is his duty immediately to issue a warrant for the arrest of the accused, that he may be brought before such magistrate, or before some other named in the warrant.

ART. 95. When the person accused has been brought before the Proceedings magistrate, he shall hear proof as to the accusation, and if he be satisfied when defend-ant is brought that there is just reason to apprehend that the offense was intended to before magis be committed, or that the threat was seriously made, he shall make an order that the accused enter into bond in such sum as he may in his discretion require, conditioned that he will not commit such offense, and that he will keep the peace toward the person threatened, or about to be injured, and toward all others, for one year from the date of such bond.

The bond provided for in the preceding article shall be suf- what shall be a ART. 96. ficient if it be payable to the State of Texas, recite plainly the nature of sufficient peace the accusation against the defendant, be for some certain sum, and be signed by the defendant and his surety, and dated. No error of form shall vitiate such bond, and no error in the proceedings prior to the execution of the bond shall be available as a defense in an action thereupon.

ART. 97. The officer taking such bond shall require the sureties of the Oath required defendant to make oath as to the value of their property in the manner bond to be pointed out with regard to recognizances and bail bonds. And such officer filed, etc. shall forthwith deposit such bond and oaths in the office of the clerk of the county court of the county where such bond is taken, to be filed and safely kept by said clerk in his office.

Magistrates, in fixing the amount of such bonds, shall be Amount of the necuniary circumstances of the accused and the nature bond, how ART. 98. governed by the pecuniary circumstances of the accused, and the nature fixed of the offense threatened or about to be committed.

ART. 99. A surety upon any such bond may, at any time before a How surety breach thereof, exonerate himself from the obligations of the same by may exonerate himself, etc. delivering to any magistrate of the county where such bond was taken the person of the defendant, and such magistrate shall, in that case, again require of the defendant bond with other security in the same amount as the first bond, and the same proceedings shall be had as in the first instance, but the one year's time shall commence to run from the date of the first order.

ART. 100. If the defendant fail or refuse to give bond he shall be Defendant failcommitted to the jail of the county, or, if there be no jail, to the custody to give bond of the sheriff, for the period of one year from the date of the first order shall be com-mitted requiring such bond.

ART. 101. If the defendant has been committed for failing or refusing Defendant to give bond, he shall be discharged by the officer having him in custody shall be dis-upon giving the required bond, or at the expiration of the time for which C.P. 88. upon giving the required bond, or at the expiration of the time for which he has been committed.

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ART. 102. If the magistrate be of opinion from the evidence that there is no good reason to apprehend that the offense was intended or will be committed, or that no serious threat was made by the defendant, he shall discharge the person so accused, and may, in his discretion, tax the cost of the proceeding against the party making the complaint.

ART. 103. If any person shall make oath, and shall convince the magistrate that he has good reason to believe that another is about to publish, sell or circulate, or is continuing to sell, publish or circulate any libel against him, or any such publication as is made an offense by the penal law of the state, the person accused of such intended publication may be required to enter into bond with security not to sell, publish or circulate such libelous publication, and the same proceedings be had as in the cases before enumerated in this chapter.

ART. 104. When, from the evidence before the magistrate, it appears that the defendant has committed an offense against the penal law, the same proceedings shall be had as in other cases where parties are charged with crime.

ART. 105. In cases where accused parties are found subject to the charge, and required to give bond, the costs of the proceeding shall be adjudged against them.

When, from the nature of the case and the proof offered to ART. 106. the magistrate, it may appear necessary and proper, he shall have a right to order any peace officer to protect the person or property of any individual threatened; and such peace officer shall have the right to summon aid by requiring any number of citizens of his county to assist in giving the protection.

ART. 107. If the condition of a bond, such as is provided for in this chapter, be forfeited, it shall be sued upon in the name of "The State of Texas," in the court having jurisdiction of the amount thereof, and in the county where such bond was taken. The suit shall be instituted and prosecuted by the district or county attorney, and the full amount of such bond may be recovered against the principal and sureties.

ART. 108. Suits upon such bonds shall be commenced within two years from the breach of the same, and not thereafter, and shall be governed by the rules applicable to civil actions, except that the sureties may be sued, without joining the principle. It shall only be necessary in order to entitle the state to recover to prove that the defendant did commit the offense which he bound himself not to commit, or failed to keep the peace according to his undertaking.

CHAPTER FOUR.

OF THE SUPPRESSION OF RIOTS, UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND OTHER DISTURBANCES.

Article

Officer may require aid of citizens and mili-

Officer may call to his aid the power of the

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ARTICLE 109. When any officer authorized to execute process is resisted, or when he has sufficient reason to believe that he will meet with resistance in executing the same, he may command as many of the citizens of his county as he may think proper, and the sheriff may call any military company in the county to aid him in overcoming the resistance, and, if necessary, in seizing and arresting the persons engaged in such resistance, so that they may be brought to trial.

Officer may re-quire aid of cit-izens, and mili-tary, when he apprehends resistance. C.C.P. 95.

ART. 110. If it be represented to the governor in such manner as to Governor may satisfy him that the power of the county is not sufficient to enable the to aid in execusheriff to execute process, he may, on application, order any military company of volunteers, or militia company from another county, to aid in overcoming such resistance.

ART. 111. Whenever, for the purpose of suppressing riots or unlawful Conduct of the assemblies, the aid of military or militia companies is called, they shall pressing riots. obey the orders of the civil officer who is engaged in suppressing the same.

such a manner as to constitute a riot, according to the penal law of the Duty of magis-trate and peace state, it is the duty of every magistrate or peace officer to cause such perdisperse, or by arresting the persons engaged, if necessary, either with or without warrant.

ART. 113. In order to enable the officer to disperse a riot, he may call to his aid the power of the county in the same manner as is provided power of the county. where it is necessary for the execution of process. where it is necessary for the execution of process.

ART. 114. The officer engaged in suppressing a riot, and those who aid What means him, are authorized and justified in adopting such measures as are neces. C.C.P. 102. sary to suppress the riot, but are not authorized to use any greater degree of force than is requisite to accomplish that object.

ART. 115. All the articles of this chapter relating to the suppression of Unlawful riots, apply equally to an unlawful assembly, and other unlawful disturbances, as defined by the Penal Code.

ART. 116. For the purpose of suppressing riots, unlawful assemblies Suppression of and other disturbances at elections, any magistrate may appoint a sufficient assembly, etc., number of special constables. Such appointments shall be made to each at election. C.C.P. 106. special constable, shall be in writing, dated and signed by the magistrate, and shall recite the purposes for which such appointment is made, and the length of time it is to continue, and before the same is delivered to such special constable he shall take an oath before the magistrate to suppress, by lawful means, all riots, unlawful assemblies and breaches of the peace of which he may receive information, and to act impartially between all parties and persons interested in the result of the election.

ART. 117. Special constables so appointed shall, during the time for Power of spe-cial constable which they are appointed, exercise the powers and perform the duties in such cases, C.C.P. 107. properly belonging to peace officers.

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OF THE SUPPRESSION OF OFFENSES INJURIOUS TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

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ARTICLE 118. After an indictment or information has been presented Court may reagainst any person for carrying on a trade, business or occupation, injuri- from carrying against any person for carrying on a trade, business of occupation, injuri from the set of a trade, etc., on a trade, etc., injurious to on the application of any one interested, and after hearing proof both for health. O.C.P. 108. and against the accused, to restrain the defendant in such penalty as may be deemed proper, from carrying on such trade, business or occupation, or may make such order respecting the manner and place of carrying on the same as may be deemed advisable; and if, upon trial, the defendant be convicted the restraint shall be made perpetual, and the party shall be required to enter into bond with security not to continue such trade, business or occupation to the detriment of the health of such neighborhood, or of any other neighborhood within the county.

Officer may call to his aid the

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Suit upon bend. C.C.P. 109.

Same subject. C.C.P. 110.

Unwholesome food, etc., may be seized and destrcyed. C.C.P. 108.

If the party refuses to give bond when required under the ART. 119. provisions of the preceding article, the court may either commit him to jail, or make an order requiring the sheriff to seize upon the implements of such trade, business or occupation, or the goods and property used in conducting such trade, business or occupation, and destroy the same.

ART. 120. Such bond shall be payable to the State of Texas, in a reasonable amount to be fixed by the court, conditioned that the defendant will not carry on such trade, business or occupation, naming the same. at such place, naming the place, or at any other place in the county, to the detriment of the health of the neighborhood. Said bond shall be signed by the defendant and his sureties and dated, and shall be approved by the court taking the same, and filed in such court.

ART. 121. Any such bond, upon the breach thereof, may be sued upon by the district or county attorney, in the name of the State of Texas, in any court having jurisdiction of the amount thereof, within two years after such breach, and not afterwards, and such suits shall be governed by the same rules as civil actions.

It shall be sufficient proof of the breach of any such bond ART, 122. to show that the party continued, after executing the same, to carry on the trade, business or occupation which he bound himself to discontinue. And the full amount of such bond may be recovered of the defendant and his sureties.

ART. 123. After conviction for selling unwholesome food or liquor, or adulterated medicine, the court shall enter and issue an order to the sheriff or other proper officer, to seize and destroy such as remains in the hands of the defendant, which order shall forthwith be executed.

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After indictment or information presented against any per-ART. 125. son for violating the preceding article, any one, in behalf of the public, may apply to the county judge of the county in which such highway is situated, and upon hearing proof such judge, either in term time or in vacation, may issue his written order to the sheriff or other proper officer of the county, directing him to remove the obstruction; but before the issuance of such order the applicant therefor shall give bond with security in an amount to be fixed by the judge, to indemnify the accused, in case or his acquittal, for the loss he sustains. Such bond shall be approved by the county judge and filed among the papers in the cause.

ART. 126. If the defendant, in such indictment or information, be acquitted after a trial upon the merits of the case, he may maintain a civil action againt the applicant, and his sureties upon such bond, and may recover the full amount of the bond or such damages, less than the full amount thereof, as may be assessed by a jury; provided, he shows on the trial that the place was not in fact, at the time he placed the obstruction or impediment thereupon, a public highway, established by proper authority, but was in fact his own property or in his lawful possession.

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I. DEFINITION AND OBJECT OF THE WRIT.

ART. 131. A writ of *habeas corpus* is an order issued by a court or judge of competent jurisdiction, directed to any one having a person in his custody, or under his restraint, commanding him to produce such person, at a time and place named in the writ, and show why he is held in custody, or under restraint.

ART. 132. The writ, as all other process, runs in the name of "The State of Texas." It is to be addressed to a person having another under restraint, or in his custody, describing, as near as may be, the name of the office, if any, of the person to whom it is directed, and the name of the person said to be detained. It shall fix the time and place of return, and be signed by the judge or by the clerk, with his seal, where issued by a court.

ART. 133. The writ of *habeas corpus* is not invalid, nor shall it be disobeyed for any want of form, if it substantially appear that it is issued by competent authority, and the writ sufficiently show the object and design of its issuance.

ART. 134. Every provision relating to the writ of habeas corpus shall be most favorably construed, in order to give effect to the remedy and protect the rights of the person seeking relief under it.

II. BY WHOM AND WHEN GRANTED.

ART. 135. The court of appeals or either of the judges, the district courts or any judge thereof, the county courts or any judge thereof, have power to issue the writ of *habeas corpus*; and it is their duty, upon proper application, to grant the writ under the rules herein prescribed.

ART. 136. Before indictment found the writ may be made returnable ment, writ re-turnable where to any county of the state.

> ART. 137. After indictment found the writ must be made returnable in the county where the offense has been committed, on account of which the applicant stands indicted.

> ART. 138. In all cases where a person is confined on a charge of felony, and indictment has been found against him, he may apply to the judge of the district court for the district in which he is indicted, or if there be no judge within the district, then to the judge of any district whose residence is nearest to the court-house of the county in which the applicant is held in custody.

> ART. 139. In all cases where a person is confined on a charge of misdemeanor, he may apply to the county judge of the county in which the misdemeanor is charged to have been committed, or if there be no county judge in said county, then to the county judge whose residence is nearest to the court-house of the county in which the applicant is held in custody.

> When application has been made to a judge under the cir-ART. 140. cumstances set forth in the two preceding articles, it shall be his duty to appoint a time when he will examine the cause of the applicant, and issue the writ returnable at that time, in the county where the offense is charged in the indictment or information to have been committed. He shall also specify some place in the county where he will hear the application.

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ART. 143. The word "applicant," as used in this chapter, refers to The word "applicant" refers the person for whose relief the writ is asked, though, as above provided, to. the petition may be signed and presented by any other person.

ART. 144. The petition must state substantially— 1. That the person for whose benefit the application is made is illegally rectition. C.C.P. 130. restrained in his liberty, and by whom-naming both parties, if their names are known, or, if unknown, designating and describing them.

2. When the party is confined or restrained by virtue of any writ, order or process, or under color of either, a copy shall be annexed to the petition, or it shall be stated that a copy can not be obtained.

3. When the confinement or restraint is not by virtue of any writ, order or process, the petition may state only that the party is illegally confined or restrained of his liberty.

4. There must be a prayer in the petition for the writ of habeas corpus. 5. Oath must be made that the allegations of the petition are true, according to the belief of the petitioner.

ART. 145. The writ of habeas corpus shall be granted without delay The writ shall by the judge or court receiving the petition, unless it be manifest by the without delay, statements of the petition itself, or some documents annexed to it, that unless, etc. the party is entitled to no relief whatever.

ART. 146. A judge of the district or county court who has knowledge Writ may be isthat any person is illegally confined or restrained in his liberty within his sued without district or county, may, if the case be one within his jurisdiction, issue when. the writ of habeas corpus without any application being made for the same.

ART. 147. Whenever it shall be made to appear, by satisfactory evi- Judge may is-dence, to a judge of the court of appeals, or a judge of the district or of arrest, when. county court, that any one is held in illegal confinement or custody, and there is good reason to believe that he will be carried out of the state, or suffer some irreparable injury before he can obtain relief in the usual course of law, or whenever the writ of habeas corpus has been issued and disregarded, the said judges, or either of them, if the case be one in which they have power to grant the writ of habeas corpus, may issue a warrant to any peace officer, or to any person specially named by said judge, directing him to take and bring such person before such judge, to be dealt with according to law.

Where it appears by the proof offered under circumstances The person ART. 148. mentioned in the preceding article, that the person charged with having ustody of the prisoner is by such act guilty of an offense against may be arrest-the law, the judge may, in the warrant, order that he be arrested and c.C.P. 134. brought before him; and, upon examination, he may be committed, discharged, or held to bail, as the law and the nature of the case may require.

ART. 149. The officer charged with the execution of the warrant shall Proceedings bring the persons therein mentioned before the judge or court issuing the rant. same, who shall inquire into the cause of the imprisonment or restraint, and make an order thereon, as in cases of *habeas corpus*, according to the rules laid down in this chapter, either remanding into custody, discharging or admitting to bail the party so imprisoned or restrained.

The same power may be exercised by the officer executing officer execu-ART. 150. the warrant (and in like manner) in cases arising under the foregoing rant may ex-articles as is exercised in the execution of warrants of arrest according to ercise same the provisions of this Code.

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The words "confined," "imprisoned," etc., refer to, etc. C.C.P. 137.

By "restraint" is meant, etc. C.C.P. 138.

The writ of habeas corpus is intended to be applicable, when, etc. C.C.P. 139.

Person committed in default of bail is entitled to the writ, when. C.C.P. 141.

Person afflicted with disease may be removed, when. C.C.P. 142.

Who may serve writ. C.C.P. 143. P.D. 6591. How the writ may be served and returned. C.C.P. 144.

The return shall be made under oath, if made by a person other than an officer. C.C.P. 145.

The person on whom the writ is served shall obey same, etc. C.C.P. 146.

How the return shall be made. C.C.P. 147-8.

ART. 151. The words "confined," "imprisoned," "in custody," "confinement," "imprisonment," refer not only to the actual, corporeal and forcible detention of a person, but likewise to any and all coercive measures by threats, menaces or the fear of injury, whereby one person exercises

a control over the person of another and detains him within certain limits. ART. 152. By "restraint" is meant the kind of control which one person exercises over another, not to confine him within certain limits, but to subject him to the general authority and power of the person claiming such right.

ART. 153. The writ of *habeas corpus* is intended to be applicable to all such cases of confinement and restraint, where there is no lawful right in the person exercising the power, or where, though the power in fact exists, it is exercised in a manner or degree not sanctioned by law.

ART. 154. Where a person has been committed to custody for failing to enter into bond, he is entitled to the writ of *habeas corpus*, if it be stated in the petition that there was no sufficient cause for requiring bail, or that the bail required is excessive; and if the proof sustains the petition it will entitle the party to be discharged, or have the amount of the bail reduced, according to the facts of the case.

ART. 155. When a judge or court authorized to grant writs of *habeas* corpus shall be satisfied, upon investigation, that a person in legal custody is afflicted with a disease which will render a removal necessary for the preservation of life, an order may be made for the removal of the prisoner to some other place where his health will not be likely to suffer, or he may be admitted to bail when it appears that any species of confinement will endanger his life.

III. SERVICE AND RETURN OF THE WRIT AND PROCEEDINGS THEREON.

ART. 156. The service of the writ may be made by any person competent to testify.

ART. 157. The writ may be served by delivering a copy of the original to the person who is charged with having the party under restraint or in custody, and exhibiting the original, if demanded; if he refuse to receive it, he shall be informed verbally of the purport of the writ. If he refuse admittance to the person wishing to make the service, or conceal himself, a copy of the writ may be fixed upon some conspicuous part of the house where such person resides, or conceals himself, or of the place where the prisoner is confined; and the person serving the writ of *habeas corpus* shall, in all cases, state fully, in making return, the manner and the time of the service of the writ.

ART. 158. The return of a writ of *habeas corpus* under the provisions of the preceding article, if made by any person other than an officer, shall be under oath.

ART. 159. The person on whom the writ of *habeas corpus* is served, shall immediately obey the same, and make the return required by law, upon the copy of the orginal writ served on him, and this whether the writ be directed to him or not.

ART. 160. The return is made by stating in plain language upon the copy of the writ, or some paper connected with it—

1. Whether it is true or not, according to the statement of the petition, that he has in his custody, or under his restraint, the person named or described in such petition.

2. By virtue of what authority, or for what cause he took and detains such person.

3. If he had such person in his custody or under restraint at any time before the service of the writ, and has transferred him to the custody of another, he shall state particularly to whom, at what time, for what reason, or by what authority he made such transfer.

4. He shall annex to his return the writ or warrant by virtue of which he holds the person in custody, if any writ or warrant there be.

5. The return must be signed and sworn to by the person making it.

ART. 161. The person on whom the writ is served shall bring also The person in before the judge the person in his custody or under his restraint, unless be brought pe it be made to appear that by reason of sickness he can not be removed, in fore the judge, which case another day may be appointed by the judge or court for hearwhich case another day may be appointed by the judge or court for hearing the cause and for the production of the person confined; or the appli-cation may be heard and decided without the production of the person detained, by the consent of his counsel.

ART. 162. When the return of the writ has been made, and the appli- Custody of can't roz. When the return of the writ has been made, and the appli-Custody of cant brought before the court, he is no longer detained on the original ing examina-warrant or process, but under the authority of the *habeas corpus*, and the tion on *habeas* safe keeping of the prisoner, pending the examination or hearing, is entirely (State v. Sparks -under the direction and authority of the judge or court issuing the writ, ²⁷_{705.}, ²⁷ Tex. R., ⁶²⁷, or to which the return is made. He may be bailed from day to day, or be remanded to the same jail whence he came, or to any other place of safe keeping under the control of the judge or court, till the case is finally determined.

ART. 163. The court or judge granting the writ of *habeas corpus* snan allow reason-allow reasonable time for the production of the person detained in custody. able time, etc. C.O.P. 150.

ART. 164. When service has been made upon a person charged with Person having the illegal custody of another, if he refuses to obey the writ and make the tody of another, return required by law, or if he refuses to receive the writ, or conceals other who rehimself, the court or judge issuing the writ shall issue a warrant directed the writ, etc. to any officer or other suitable person willing to execute the same, com- shall be pur-ished how etc. manding him to arrest the person charged with the illegal custody or detention of another, and bring him before such court or judge; and when such person shall have been arrested and brought before the court or judge, if he still refuse to return the writ, or do not produce the person in his custody, he shall be committed to prison and remain there until he is willing to obey the writ of habeas corpus, and until he pays all the costs of the proceeding.

ART. 165. Any person disobeying the writ of *habeas corpus*, shall also Further penal-ty, etc., for dis-be liable to a civil action at the suit of the party detained, and shall pay obeying writ. in such suit fifty dollars for each day of illegal detention and restraint, after service of the writ, to be recovered in any court of competent jurisdiction; and it shall be deemed that a person has disobeyed the writ who detains a prisoner a longer time than three days after service thereof, and one additional day for every twenty miles he must necessarily travel in carrying the person held from the place of his detention to the place where the application is to be heard, unless where further time is allowed in the writ for making the return thereto.

ART. 166. In case of the disobedience of the writ of habeas corpus, the Applicant for writ may be person for whose relief it is intended may also be brought before the court brought before or judge having competent authority, by an order for that purpose issued court. C.C.P. 153. to any peace officer or other proper person specially named.

ART. 167. It is a sufficient return to the writ of *habeas corpus* that the Death, etc., of person once detained has died or escaped, or that by some superior force applicant sufficient return to he has been taken from the custody of the person making the return; but writ. C.C.P. 154. where any such cause shall be assigned for not producing the applicant the court or judge shall proceed to hear testimony, and the facts so stated in the return shall be proved by satisfactory evidence.

When a prisoner confined in jail, or who is in legal custody, Proceedings ART. 168. ART. 168. When a prisoner condition in just, or the value of the same where a prisoner dies. shall die, the officer having charge of him shall forthwith report the same oner dies. C.O.P. 155. to a justice of the peace of the county, who shall hold an inquest to ascertain the cause of his death, which may be done by calling in any number of physicians and surgeons. All the proceedings had in such cases shall

fuses to obev etc. C.C.P. 151.

be reduced to writing, certified and returned as in other cases of inquest, a certified copy of which proceedings shall be sufficient proof of the death of the prisoner, at the hearing of an application under *habeas corpus*.

ART. 169. In felony cases it shall be the duty of the district attorney of the district where the case is pending, if there be one, and he be present, to represent the state in the proceeding by *habeas corpus*. If no district attorney be present, the county attorney, if present, shall represent the state. If neither of said officers are present the court or judge may appoint some well-qualified practicing attorney to represent the state, who shall be paid the same fee as is allowed district attorneys for like services.

ART. 170. The judge or court, before whom a person is brought by writ of *habeas corpus*, shall examine the writ and the papers attached to it, and if no legal cause be shown for the imprisonment or restraint, or if it appear that the imprisonment or restraint, though at first legal, can not, for any cause be lawfully prolonged, the applicant shall be discharged.

ART. 171. If it appear by the return and papers attached that the party stands indicted for a capital offense, the judge or court having jurisdiction of the case shall nevertheless proceed to hear such testimony as may be offered on the part both of the applicant and the state, and may either remand the defendant or admit him to bail, as the law and the facts of the case may justify.

ART. 172. If it appear by the return and papers attached that the case is one over which the court or judge has no jurisdiction, such court or judge shall at once remand the applicant to the person from whose custody he has been taken.

ART. 173. In all cases where r indictment has been found, it shall not be deemed that any presumption of guilt has arisen from the mere fact that a criminal accusation has been made before a competent authority.

ART. 174. The judge or court after having examined the return and all documents attached, and heard the testimony offered on both sides, shall, according to the facts and circumstances of the case, proceed either to remand the party into custody, admit him to bail, or discharge him; *provided*, that no defendant shall be discharged after indictment without bail.

ART. 175. If it shall appear that the applicant is detained or held under a warrant of commitment which is informal, or void, yet if from the document on which the warrant was based, or from the proof on the hearing of the *habeas corpus*, it appears that there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed by the prisoner, he shall not be discharged, but shall be committed or held to bail by the court or judge trying the application under *habeas corpus*.

ART. 176. Where, upon an examination under *habeas corpus*, it shall appear to the court or judge that there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed by the prisoner, he shall not be discharged, but shall be committed, or admitted to bail, according to the facts and circumstances of the case.

ART. 177. For the purpose of ascertaining the grounds on which an informal or void warrant has been issued, the judge or court may cause to be summoned the magistrate who issued the warrant, and may, by an order, require him to bring with him all the papers and proceedings touching the matter. The attendance of such magistrate, and the production of such papers, may be enforced by warrant of arrest if necessary.

ART. 178. It shall not be necessary, on the trial of any cause arising under *habeas corpus*, to make up a written issue, though it may be done by the applicant for the writ. He may except to the sufficiency of, or controvert the return of any part thereof, or allege any new matter in avoidance. If written denial on his part be not made, it shall be considered, for the purpose of investigation, that the statement of said return

Who shall represent the state in *habeas corpus* cases. C.C.P. 156.

Prisoner shall be discharged, when. C.C.P. 157.

Where party is indicted for capital offense. C.C.P. 158.

Where court has no jurisdiction, etc.

Where no indictment has been found, etc. C.C.P. 159. Action of court upon examination. C.C.P. 160.

If the commitment be informal or void, etc. C.C.P. 161.

If there be probable cause to believe an offense has been committed, etc. C.C.P. 162.

The court may summon the magistrate who issued the warrant. C.C.P. 163.

A written issue in case under habeas corpus not necessary. C.C.P. 164.

are contested by a denial of the same, and the proof shall be heard accordingly, both for and against the applicant for relief. ART. 179. The applicant shall have the right to open and conclude, by

himself or counsel, the argument upon the trial under habeas corpus.

ART. 180. The court or judge trying the cause under habeas corpus Costs of the may make such order as is deemed advisable or right concerning the cost how disposed of bringing the defendant before him, and all other costs of the proceed- of. C.C.P. 166. ings, awarding the same either against the person to whom the writ was directed, the person seeking relief, or may award no costs at all.

directed, the person seeking relier, or may award no costs at all. ART. 181. If a writ of *habeas corpus* be made returnable before a court If the court be in session, all the proceedings had shall be entered of record by the clerk shall re-thereof, as would be done in any other case pending in such court; and condition pro-cord the pro-cord section. C.C.P. 167. when the application is heard out of the county where the offense was committed, or in the court of appeals, the clerk shall transmit a certified copy of all the proceedings upon the application to the clerk of the court which has jurisdiction of the offense.

ART. 182. If the return is made and the proceedings had before a judge If the proceedof a court in vacation, he shall cause all the proceedings to be written, ings be had be-fore a judge in shall certify to the same, and cause them to be filed with the clerk of the vacation, etc. court which has jurisdiction of the offense, whose duty it shall be to keep them safely.

The provisions of the two preceding articles refer only to Provisions of **ART.** 183. cases where an applicant is held under accusation for some offense; in all ing articles, re other cases, the proceedings had before the judge shall be filed and kept for to, etc. by the clerk of the court hearing the case.

The court or judge granting a writ of habeas corpus may Court may ART. 184. grant all necessary orders to bring before him the testimony taken before cessary orthe examining court, and may issue all process for enforcing the attend- ders, etc. ance of witnesses, which is allowed in any other proceedings in a criminal action.

The word "return," as used in this chapter, refers to and Meaning of ART. 185. means the report made by the officer or person charged with serving the writ of habeas corpus, and also the answer made by the person served with such writ.

IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

ART. 186. Where a person, before indictment found against him, has A person disbeen discharged or held to bail on habeas corpus by order of a court or indictment judge of competent jurisdiction, he shall not be again imprisoned or shall not again be imprisoned detained in custody on an accusation for the same offense until after he until, etc. shall have been indicted, unless delivered up by his bail in order to release themselves from their liability.

ART. 187. Where a person once discharged, or admitted to bail, is A person once discharged or afterward indicted for the same offense for which he has been once admitted to arrested, he may be committed on the indictment, but shall be again bail may be committed, entitled to the writ of habeas corpus, and may, notwithstanding the indict- when, etc. C.C.P. 173. ment, be admitted to bail, if the facts of the case render it proper; but in cases where, after indictment found, the cause of the defendant has been investigated on habeas corpus, and an order made either remanding him to custody, or admitting him to bail, he shall neither be subject to be again placed in custody, unless when surrendered by his bail, or when the trial of his cause commences before a petit jury, nor shall he be again entitled to the writ of habeas corpus except in the special cases mentioned in articles 155 and 189.

A person com ART. 188. If the accusation against the defendant for a capital offense has been heard on *habeas corpus* before indictment found, and he shall shall not be en have been committed after such examination, he shall not be entitled to the the writ unless in the special cases mentioned in articles 155 and 189.

The applicant shall open and conclude the argument. C.C.P. 165.

C.C.P. 168.

C.C.P. 170.

retur C.C.P. 171.

writ, unless, etc. C.C.P. 174. A party may obtain the writ a second time, when, etc. C.C.P. 175.

The preceding article shall not an appeal. C.C.P. 176.

Any one having the custody of another who another who refuses to obey the writ, etc., shall be pun-ished, how. C.C.P. 178.

An officer re An officer re fusing to exe-cute the writ shall be pun-ished, how, etc. C.C.P. 177.

Any jailer, etc., who refuses to process under

etc. C.C.P. 179. Person shall not be discharged under writ of habeas corpus, when. C.C.P. 180.

This chapter applies to what cases. C.C.P. 181.

ART. 189. A party may obtain the writ of habeas corpus a second time by stating in the application therefor that since the hearing of his first application important testimony has been obtained which it was not in his power to produce at the former hearing. He shall also set forth the testimony so newly discovered, and if it be that of a witness the affidavit of the witness shall also accompany such second application.

The preceding article shall not apply where there has been ART. 190. apply where an appear to the court there has been upon the first application. an appeal to the court of appeals from the decision of a court or judge

> ART. 191. Any officer to whom a writ of habeas corpus, or other writ, warrant or process, authorized by this chapter, shall be directed, delivered or tendered, who shall refuse to execute the same according to his directions, or who shall wantonly delay the service or execution of the same, is guilty of an offense, and shall be punished according to the provisions of the Penal Code; he shall also be liable to fine as for contempt of court.

> Any one having another in his custody, or under his power, Art. 192. control or restraint, who refuses to obey a writ of habeas corpus, or who evades the service of the same, or places the person illegally detained under the control of another, removes him, or in any other manner attempts to evade the operation of the writ, is guilty of a penal offense, and shall be punished as provided in the Penal Code, and shall also be dealt with as provided in article 164 of this Code.

ÅRT. 193. Any jailer, sheriff or other officer who has a prisoner in his who refuses to custody, and refuses, upon demand, to furnish a copy of the process under furnish copy of which he holds the person, is guilty of an offense.

> ART. 194. No person shall be discharged under the writ of habeas corpus who is in custody by virtue of a commitment for any offense exclusively cognizable by the courts of the United States, or by order or process issuing out of such courts in cases where they have jurisdiction, or who is held by virtue of any *legal* engagement or enlistment in the army, or who, being rightfully subject to the rules and articles of war, is confined by any one *legally* acting under the authority thereof, or who is held as a prisoner of war under the authority of the United States.

> This chapter applies to all cases of habeas corpus for the Art. 195. enlargement of persons illegally held in custody, or in any manner restrained of their personal liberty; for the admission of prisoners to bail; and for the discharge of prisoners before indictment, upon a hearing of the testimony. Instead of the writ of habeas corpus in other cases where heretofore used, a simple order shall be substituted.

TITLE IV.

The Time and Place of Commencing and Prosecuting Criminal Actions.

CHAPTER ONE.

THE TIME WITHIN WHICH CRIMINAL ACTIONS MAY BE COMMENCED.

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ders	

ARTICLE 196. An indictment for treason may be presented within For treason twenty years, and for forgery, or the uttering, using, or passing of forged and forgery. C.C.P. 182. instruments, within ten years from the time of the commission of the offense, and not afterward.

ART. 197. An indictment for the offense of rape may be presented For rape, one within one year, and not afterward.

ART. 198. An indictment for theft punishable as a felony, arson, bur- For theft, etc., glary, robbery and counterfeiting, may be presented within five years, and five years. C.C.P. 183. not afterward.

ART. 199. An indictment for all other felonies may be presented within Other felonies. ART. 199. An indicident for an other feromes may be presented within other feromes indicate adopt and establish murder, for which an indictment may be presented at any time. Are also a few all mindements or indicate and indicate adopt and establish p. C. and C. of C. P., passed Feb. 21, 1879.) C.C.P. 185.

ART. 200. For all misdemeanors an indictment or information may be Misdemeanors, presented within two years from the commission of the offense, and not two years. C.C.P. 186. afterward.

NOTE.-Prosecutions for failing to construct and keep in repair fish-ladders or For failing to fish-ways, must commence within two months from the time the offense was committed. (See ch. xci, acts 1879.)-L.

ART. 201. The day on which the offense was committed, and the day on which the indictment or information is presented, shall be excluded from the computation of time.

The time during which a person accused of an offense is Absence from the state not ART. 202. absent from the state shall not be computed in the period of limitation.

ART. 203. An indictment is to be considered as "presented" when it An indictment is "presented," has been duly acted upon by the grand jury and received by the court.

ART. 204. An information is to be considered as "presented" when it An informa-tion is "pre-so been filed by the proper officer in the proper court. C.P. 189 has been filed by the proper officer in the proper court.

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repair fish-lad-ders. ders. Days to be ex-cluded from computation of time. (O'Conner v. Towns, 1 Tex. R., 107.) (State v. As-bury, 26 Tex. R., 82.) Absence from

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CHAPTER TWO.

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cuted.... An offense committed on a stream, etc., the boundary between two counties, punish-able where...

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Purjury and false-swearing, where. C.C.P. 190*a*.

Offenses committed on the boundary of two counties. C.C.P. 191.

Person dying out of the state of an injury in-flicted in the state, etc. C.C.P. 192.

Person within the state in-flicting injury on another out of the state, where prosecuted. C.C.P. 193.

Person without thestate inflicting an injury on one within the state. where prose-cuted.

C.C.P. 194.

Prosecutions for offenses committed wholly or in part ARTICLE 205. without, and made punishable by law within this state, may be commenced and carried on in any county in which the offender is found.

ART. 206. The offense of forgery may be prosecuted in any county where the written instrument was forged, or where the same was used or passed, or attempted to be used or passed; all forgeries and uttering, (Act to adopt using or passing, of forged instruments in writing, which concern or affect and establish the title to land in this state the title to land in this state, may also be prosecuted in the county in which the seat of government is located, or in the county in which the land, or a part thereof, concerning or affecting the title to which the forgery has been committed, is situated.

> The offense of counterfeiting may be prosecuted in any ART. 207. county where the offense was committed, or where the counterfeit coin was passed or attempted to be passed.

> The offenses of perjury and false-swearing may be prose-ART. 208. cuted in the county where committed, or in the county where the false statement is used or attempted to be used.

An offense committed on the boundary of any two counties, ART. 209. or within four hundred yards thereof, may be prosecuted and punished in either county, and the indictment or information may allege the offense to have been committed in the county where it is prosecuted.

If any person, being at the time within this state, shall ART. 210. inflict upon another, also within this state, an injury of which such person afterward dies without the limits of this state, the person so offending shall be liable to prosecution in the county where the injury was inflicted.

ART. 211. If a person, being at the time within this state, shall inflict upon another out of this state, an injury by reason of which the injured person dies without the limits of this state, he may be prosecuted in the county where he was when the injury was inflicted.

If a person, being at the time without the limits of this ART. 212. state, shall inflict upon another who is at the time within this state, an injury causing death, he may be prosecuted in the county where the person injured dies.

ART. 213. If a offense be committed upon any river or stream, the An offense committed on a stream, the be prosecuted in the county the boundary a stream, the boundary of this state, it may be prosecuted in the county the boundary of which is upon such stream or river, and the county seat of which is boundary this state, nearest the place where the offense was committed.

ART. 214. If a person receive an injury in one county and die in another Person receivby reason of such injury, the offender may be prosecuted in the county in one county in one county in one county where the injury was received or where the death occurred.

ART. 215. Where a river or other stream or highway is the boundary An offense committed on a

Where property is stolen in one county and carried off by Propertystolen ART. 216. the offender to another, he may be prosecuted either in the county where in one county in an carried to he took the property, or in any other county through or into which he another, offen-der prosecuted may have carried the same.

ART. 217. Offenses committed out of this state by a commissioner of Offenses com-deeds, or other officer acting under the authority of this state, may be the state by prosecuted in any county of this state.

ART. 218. Where an offense is committed on board a vessel which is, Offenses comat the time upon any navigable water within the boundaries of this state, sels within the the offense may be prosecuted in any county through which the vessel is state prose-cuted where, navigated in the course of her voyage, or in the county where the voyage C.C.P. 201. navigated in the course of her voyage, or in the county where the voyage commences or terminates.

The offense of embezzlement may be prosecuted in any Offense of em-ART. 219. county in which the offender may have taken or received the property, or through or into which he may have undertaken to transport it.

The jurisdiction for the trial of the offenses of false impris- Falseimprisononment, kidnapping and abduction, belongs either to the county in which ping and ab-the offense was committed, or to any county through, into or out of which duction, prose-the pers n falsely imprisoned, kidnapped or taken in such manner as to C.C.P. 204. ART. 220. constitute abduction, may have been carried.

ART. 221. The offense of conspiracy may be prosecuted in the county Conspiracy, where the conspiracy was entered into, or in the county where the same cuted. was agreed to be executed, and when the conspiracy is entered into in another state, territory or country, to commit an offense in this state, the offense may be prosecuted in the county where such offense was agreed to be committed, or in any county where any one of the conspirators may be found, or in the county where the seat of government is located.

When an act has been committed out of this state by an Conviction or ART. 222. inhabitant thereof, and such act is an offense by the laws of this state, and other state, is also an offense by the laws of the place where the same was done, a conviction or acquittal of the offender, under the laws of the place where the state. offense was committed, is a bar to the prosecution in this state.

ART. 223. Where different counties have jurisdiction of the same Conviction, etc. ART. 223. Where different countries have justed in one county is a bar to more country bar to prosecu-tion in another, any further prosecution in any other county.

ART. 224. In all cases mentioned in the foregoing articles of this chap- proof of juris-ter, the indictment or information, or any proceeding in the case, may diction suff-cient to sustain allege that the offense was committed in the county where the prosecution allegation of sustain is carried on; and to sustain the allegation of venue, it shall only be neces-

boundary of where prosecuted. C.C.P. 195.

and dying in another, offen-der where pros-ecuted. C.C.P. 196.

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commissioner of deeds, pros-ecuted where, C.C.P. 200.

bezzlement. prosecuted where, C.C.P. 203,

bar to proseen-tion in this C.C.P. 205.

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sary to prove that by reason of the facts existing in the case, the county where such prosecution is carried on has jurisdiction.

Offenses not enumerated, prosecuted where. C.C.P. 208. ART. 225. In all cases, except those enumerated in previous articles of this chapter, the proper county for the prosecution of offenses is that in which the offense was committed.

Failing to pay NOTE.—Offenses for failing to pay over money belonging to the state are proseover state's cuted in Travis county. (See Supplement to chapter 3, title iv., Penal Code; and cuted in Travis chapter 8, secs. 5 and 6, acts 1879, Extra Session.)—L.

TITLE V.

Of Arrest, Commitment and Bail.

CHAPTER ONE.

OF ARREST WITHOUT WARRANT.

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ARTICLE 226. A peace officer or any other person, may, without Arrest without warrant, arrest an offender, when the offense is committed in his presence warrant, when C.C.P. 209. or within his view, if the offense is one classed as a felony, or as an "offense against the public peace."

ART. 227. A peace officer may arrest without warrant when a felony same subject. C.C.P. 210or breach of the peace has been committed in the presence or within the view of a magistrate, and such magistrate shall verbally order the arrest of the offender.

ART. 228. The municipal authorities of towns and cities may establish Municipal aurules authorizing the arrest without warrant of persons found in suspicious thorities may places, and under circumstances which reasonably show that such persons rest without have been guilty of some felony or breach of the peace; or threaten, or "C.C.P. 211." are about to commit some offense against the laws.

ART. 229. Where it is shown by satisfactory proof to a peace officer, May arrest without warupon the representation of a credible person, that a felony has been com-mitted, and that the offender is about to escape, so that there is no time on the comparison of the to procure a warrant, such peace officer may, without warrant, pursue and arrest the person accused.

ART. 230. In all the cases enumerated where arrests may be lawfully In all such made without warrant, the officer or other person making the arrest is cases the officer may adopt justified in adopting all the measures which he might adopt in cases of the same measures are to arrest under warrant, as provided in this Code.

ART. 231. In all the cases enumerated in this chapter the person mak- In such cases must take the ing the arrest shall immediately take the person arrested before the mag-istrate who may have ordered the arrest, or before the nearest magistrate trate. where the arrest was made, without an order.

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ARTICLE 232. A "warrant of arrest" is a written order from a magistrate, directed to a peace officer or some other person specially named, commanding him to take the body of the person accused of an offense, to be dealt with according to law.

ART. 233. It issues in the name of "The State of Texas," and shall be deemed sufficient without regard to form, if it have these substantial requisites:

1. It must specify the name of the person whose arrest is ordered, if it be known; if not known, then some reasonably definite description must be given of him.

2. It must state that the person is accused of some offense against the laws of the state, naming the offense.

3. It must be signed by the magistrate, and his office be named in the body of the warrant, or in connection with his signature.

ART. 234. Magistrates may issue warrants of arrest in the following cases:

1. In all cases in which they are by law authorized to order verbally the arrest of an offender.

2. When any person shall make oath before such magistrate that another has committed some offense against the laws of the state.

3. In all cases named in this Code where they are specially authorized to issue such warrants.

The affidavit made before the magistrate, which charges ART. 235. the commission of an offense, is called a complaint.

The complaint shall be deemed sufficient without regard to ART. 236. form, if it have these substantial requisites:

1. It must state the name of the accused, if known, and if not known must give some reasonably definite description of him.

2. It must state that the accused has committed some offense against the laws of the state, naming the offense, or that the affiant has good reason to believe, and does believe, that the accused has committed such offense.

3. It must state the time and place of the commission of the offense, as definitely as can be done by the affiant.

4. It must be in writing, and signed by the affiant, if he is able to write his name, otherwise he may place his mark at the foot of the complaint.

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1. It be indorsed by some one of the magistrates named in the preceding article, in which case it can be executed anywhere in the state; or,

2. If it be indorsed by any magistrate of the county in which the accused is found, it may be executed in such county. The indorsement may be, "Let this warrant be executed in the county of..... ," or, if the indorsement is by a magistrate named in the preceding article, "Let this warrant be executed in any county of the State of Texas." Anv other words expressing the same meaning will be sufficient. The indorsement shall be dated and signed officially by the magistrate making it.

ART. 239. A warrant of arrest may be forwarded by telegraph from warrant of ar any telegraph office to another in this state. If it be issued by any mag- warded by tele istrate named in article 237, the peace officer receiving the same shall graph, etc. (Act April 17, execute it without delay. If it be issued by any other magistrate than is 1871, p. 30.) named in article 237, the peace officer receiving the same shall forthwith proceed with it to the nearest magistrate of his county, who shall indorse thereon, in substance, these words: "Let this warrant be executed in the," which indorsement shall be dated and signed officially county of..... by the magistrate making the same.

by the magistrate making the same. ART. 240. A complaint in writing, in accordance with article 236, may Complaint by be telegraphed, as provided in the preceding article, to any magistrate in the state, and the magistrate who receives the same shall forthwith issue a warrant for the arrest of the accused, and the accused when arrested the state is provided in this chapter in similar cases. P.D. 6598. shall be dealt with as provided in this chapter in similar cases.

ART. 241. A certified copy of the original warrant or complaint, certi- Certified copy Akr. 241. A certified copy of the original warrant of complaint, certification complaint complaint complaint of warrant or complaint to be with the manager of the telegraph office from which the same is to be deposited with forwarded, and it shall be at once forwarded, taking precedence over ager, etc. other business, to the place of its destination, or to the telegraph office $\frac{(Act April 17, 123)}{(April 17, 123)}$ forwarded, and it shall be at once for warded, the telegraph office (Act April 17 other business, to the place of its destination, or to the telegraph office (Act April 17 1971, p. 39.) nearest thereto, precisely as it is written, including the certificate of the seal attached.

ART. 242. When a warrant or complaint is received at a telegraph Duty of teleoffice for delivery, it shall be delivered to the party to whom it is addressed ager at the of as soon as practicable, written on the proper blanks of the telegraph fice of delivery. as soon as practicable, written on the proper blanks of the telegraph (Act April 17, company, and certified to by the manager of the telegraph office as being 1871, p. 39.) a true and correct copy of the warrant or complaint received at his office.

ART. 243. No manager of a telegraph office shall receive and forward Warrant or a warrant or complaint, as herein provided, unless the same shall be cer- must be under tified to under the seal of a court of record, or by a justice of the peace, (Act April 17, with the certificate under seal of the clerk of the district or county court 1871, p. 39.) of his courty that he is a legally qualified justice of the peace of such P.D. 6596. of his county, that he is a legally qualified justice of the peace of such county; nor shall it be lawful for any magistrate to indorse a warran. received by telegraph, or issue a warrant upon a complaint received by telegraph, unless all the requirements of the law in relation thereto have been fully complied with.

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ART. 245. In cases where it is made known by satisfactory proof to the magistrate that a peace officer can not be procured to execute a warrant of arrest, or that so much delay will be occasioned in procuring the services of a peace officer, that a person accused will probably escape, the warrant of arrest may be directed to any suitable person who is willing to execute the same, and in such case his name shall be set forth in the warrant.

ART. 246. No person other than a peace officer can be compelled to execute a warrant of arrest; but if any person shall undertake the execu-tion of the warrant, he shall be bound to do so under all the penalties to which a peace officer would be liable. He has the same rights and is governed by the same rules as are prescribed to peace officers.

ART. 247. The officer or person executing a warrant of arrest shall take the person whom he is directed to arrest forthwith before the magistrate who issued the warrant, or before the magistrate named in the warrant.

ART. 248. If any person be arrested in one county for felony com-Arrestin one ART. 248. If any person be arrested in one county for felony com-county for felony committed mitted in another, he shall, in all cases, be taken before some magistrate of the county where it was alleged the offense was committed.

> ART. 249. If the arrest be for a misdemeanor, he shall be taken before a magistrate of the county where the arrest takes place, who shall be authorized to take bail, and whose duty it shall be to transmit immediately the bond so taken to the court having jurisdiction of the offense.

> If the accused fails or refuses to give bail, as provided in Art. 250. the preceding article, he shall be committed to the jail of the county where he was arrested, and the magistrate committing him shall forthwith notify the sheriff of the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed of the arrest and commitment, which notice may be given by telegraph, by mail or by other written notice.

> Art. 251. It shall be the duty of the sheriff receiving the notice provided for in the preceding article, forthwith to go or send for the prisoner and have him brought before the proper court or magistrate.

> Should the sheriff or other proper officer of the county, ART. 252. where the offense is alleged to have been committed, not demand the prisoner and take charge of him within thirty days from the day he is committed, such prisoner shall be discharged from custody.

> ART. 253. A person is said to be arrested when he has been actually placed under restraint, or taken into custody by the officer or person executing the warrant of arrest.

> ART. 254. An arrest may be made on any day, or at any time of the day or night.

In making an arrest all reasonable means are permitted to ART. 255. be used to effect it. No greater force, however, shall be resorted to than is necessary to secure the arrest and detention of the accused.

ART. 256. In cases of felony, the officer may break down the door of any house for the purpose of effecting an arrest, if he be refused admittance after giving notice of his authority and purpose.

ART. 257. In executing a warrant of arrest, it shall always be made known to the person accused under what authority the arrest is made, and if requested the warrant shall be exhibited to him.

ART. 258. If a person arrested shall escape or be rescued, he may be re-taken without any other warrant; and for this purpose all the means may be used which are authorized in making the arrest in the first instance.

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ART. 260. The magistrate may at the request of the prosecutor or when exami-person representing the state, or of the defendant, postpone for a reason-able time the examination so as to afford an opportunity to procure testi-sonable time mony, but the accused shall, in the meanwhile, be detained in the custody disposition of of the sheriff or other duly authorized officer, unless he give bail to be the accused during that present from day to day before the magistrate, until the examination is time. C.C.P. 234.

concluded, which he may do in all cases, except murder and treason. ART. 261. Before the examination of the witnesses, the magistrate shall be in-inform the defendant that it is his right to make a statement relative to formed of his the accusation brought against him, but shall, at the same time, also in- right to make form him that he can not be compelled to make any statement whatever, and that if he does make such statement it may be used in evidence against him.

ART. 262. If the accused shall desire to make a voluntary statement, Voluntary he may do so before the examination of any of the witnesses, but not accused, afterward. His statement shall be reduced to writing by the magistrate, or by some one under his direction, or by the accused or his counsel, and shall be signed by the accused, but shall not be sworn to by him. If the accused be unable to write his name, he shall sign the statement by making his mark at the foot of the same, and the magistrate shall, in every case, attest by his own certificate and signature to the execution and signing of the statement.

ART. 263. The magistrate shall, if requested by the accused or his Witnesses may counsel, or by the person prosecuting, have all the witnesses placed in der rule, charge of an officer, except the witness who is testifying, so that the C.C.P. 335, 237. testimony given by any one witness shall not be heard by any of the others.

ART. 264. If any person appear to prosecute as counsel for the state, Right of coun-set to examine he shall have the right to put the questions to the witnesses on the direct witness or cross-examination, and the accused or his counsel has the same right. C.C.P. 236, 247e. Should no counsel appear, either for the state or for the defendant, the magistrate may examine the witnesses, and the accused has the same right.

ART. 265. The same rules of evidence shall apply to and govern a trial same rules of before an examining court that apply to and govern a final trial.

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ART. 267. The testimony of each witness examined shall be reduced to writing by the magistrate, or some one under his direction, and shall then be read over to the witness, or he may read it over himself, and such corrections shall be made in the same as the witness may direct, and he shall then sign the same by affixing thereto his name or mark. All the testimony thus taken shall be certified to by the magistrate taking the same.

ART. 268. The magistrate has the power in all cases where a witness resides, or is in the county where the prosecution is pending, to issue an attachment for the purpose of enforcing the attendance of such witness; this he may do without having previously issued a subpœna for that purpose.

ART. 269. The magistrate may issue an attachment for a witness to any county in the state, when affidavit is made by the party applying therefor that the testimony of the witness is material to the prosecution, or the defense, as the case may be; and the affidavit shall further state the facts which it is expected will be proved by the witness, and if the facts set forth are not considered material by the magistrate, or if they be admitted to be true by the adverse party, the attachment shall not issue.

ART. 270. It shall not be necessary where a witness is attached to tender his witness fees or expenses to him.

ART. 271. The officer receiving the attachment shall execute it forthwith, by bringing before the magistrate the witness named therein, unless such witness shall give bail for his appearance before the magistrate at the time and place required by the writ.

ART. 272. After examining the witnesses in attendance, if it satisfactorily appear to the magistrate that there is other important testimony which may be had by a postponement of the examination, he shall, at the request of the prosecutor or of the defendant, postpone the further examination for a reasonable time, to enable such testimony to be procured; but in such case the accused shall remain in the custody of the proper officer until the day fixed for such further examination. No postponement shall take place unless a statement on oath be made by the defendant or the person prosecuting, setting forth the name and residence of the witness, and the facts which it is expected will be proved; or if it be testimony other than that of a witness, the statement made shall set forth the nature of the evidence. If the magistrate is satisfied that the testimony is not material, or if the same be admitted to be true by the adverse party, the postponement shall be refused.

ART. 273. Upon examination of a person accused of a capital offense, no magistrate other than a judge of the supreme court, a judge of the court of appeals, a judge of the district court or a judge of the county court, shall have power to discharge the defendant. Any magistrate may admit to bail, except in capital cases, where the proof is evident.

ART. 274. Where it is made to appear by complaint, on oath, to a judge of the supreme court, court of appeals, district or county court, that the bail taken in any case is insufficient in amount, or that the securities are not good for the amount, or that the bond is for any reason defective or insufficient, such judge shall issue a warrant of arrest, and require of the defendant sufficient bond and security, according to the nature of the case.

ART. 275. After the voluntary statement of the accused, if any, and the examination of the witnesses has been fully completed, the magistrate shall proceed to make an order committing the defendant to the jail of the proper county, if there be one, discharging him or admitting him to bail, as the law and facts of the case may require.

ART. 276. Where there is no safe jail in the county in which the pros- When no safe ecution is carried on, the magistrate may commit to the nearest safe jail c.C.P. 251. of any other county.

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defendant is taken shan be required to which he is sent. ART. 278. A warrant of commitment is an order signed by the proper Warrant of magistrate, directing a sheriff to receive and place in jail the person so its requisites: C.C.P. 258. committed. It will be sufficient if it have the following requisites : 1. That it run in the name of "The State of Texas."

2. That it be addressed to the sheriff of the county, to the jail of which the defendant is committed.

3. That it state in plain language the offense for which the defendant is committed, and give his name if it be known, or if unknown contain an accurate description of the defendant.

4. That it state to what court and at what time the defendant is to be held to answer.

5. When the prisoner is sent out of the county where the prosecution arose, the warrant shall state that there is no safe jail in the proper county.

6. If it be a case in which bail has been granted the amount of bail shall be stated in the warrant.

ART. 279. In every case where, for want of a safe jail in the proper When prisoner county, a prisoner is committed to the jail of another county, the last another county named county shall have the right to recover by civil action, in a court of ^{ty, etc.} C.C.P. 254. competent jurisdiction, of the county from which the prisoner was sent, an amount of money not exceeding seventy-five cents per day, on account of the expenses attending the custody and safe keeping of a prisoner.

ART. 280. It is the duty of every sheriff to keep safely a person com-mitted to his custody. He shall use no cruel or unusual means to secure this ond but shall adopt all necessary measures to prevent the escape of a C.C.P. 255. this end, but shall adopt all necessary measures to prevent the escape of a prisoner. He may summon a guard of sufficient number in case it become necessary to prevent an escape from jail or the rescue of a prisoner.

ART. 281. A discharge by a magistrate upon an examination of any Dischargeshall ART. 281. A discharge by a magistrate upon an examination of any instruges in not prevent, person accused of an offense, shall not prevent a second arrest of the same etc. C.C.P. 256. person for the same offense.

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I. GENERAL RULES APPLICABLE TO ALL CASES OF BAIL.

ARTICLE 282. "Bail" is the security given by a person accused of an offense that he will appear and answer before the proper court the accusation brought against him. This security is given by means of a recognizance or a bail bond.

A "recognizance" is an undertaking entered into before a ART. 283. court of record in session, by the defendant to a criminal action and his sureties, by which they bind themselves respectively, in a sum fixed by the court, that the defendant will appear for trial before such court upon the accusation preferred against him. The undertaking of the parties in such case is not signed, but is made a matter of record in the court where the same is entered into.

ART. 284. A "bail-bond" is an undertaking entered into by the defendant and his sureties for the appearance of the principal therein before some court or magistrate to answer a criminal accusation; it is written out and signed by the defendant and his sureties.

ART. 285. A bail-bond is entered into either before a magistrate upon an examination of a criminal accusation against a defendant, or before a judge upon an application under habeas corpus; or it is taken from the defendant by a peace officer who has a warrant of arrest or commitment, as hereafter provided.

Wherever the word "bail" is used with reference to the ART. 286. security given by the defendant, it is intended to apply as well to recognizances as to bail-bonds. When a defendant is said to be "on bail," or to have "given bail," it is intended to apply as well to recognizances as to bail-bonds.

ART. 287. A recognizance shall be sufficient to bind the principal and sureties, if it contain the following requisites:

1. If it be acknowledged that the defendant is indebted to the State of Texas in such sum as is fixed by the court, and the sureties are in like manner indebted in such sum as is fixed by the court.

2. That it state the name of the offense with which the defendant is charged.

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3. That it appear by the recognizance that the defendant is accused of an offense against the laws of this state.

4. That the time and place when and where the defendant is bound to appear be stated, and the court before which he is bound to appear.

ART. 288. A bail-bond shall be sufficient if it contain the following Requisites of a pail-bond. quisites : C.C.P. 264. requisites :

i. That it be made payable to the State of Texas.

2. That the obligors thereto bind themselves that the defendant will appear before the proper court or magistrate to answer the accusation against him.

3. That the offense of which the defendant is accused be distinctly named in the bond, and that it appear therefrom that he is accused of some offense against the laws of the state.

4. That the bond be signed by the principal and sureties, or in case all or either of them can not write, then that they affix thereto their marks.

5. That the bond state the time and place when and where the accused binds himself to appear, and the court or magistrate before whom he is to appear. In stating the time it is sufficient to specify the term of the court; and in stating the place it is sufficient to specify the name of the court or magistrate and of the county.

ART. 289. The rules laid down in this chapter respecting recognizances Rules in this and bail-bonds are applicable to all such undertakings when entered into in the course of a criminal action, whether before or after indictment or cases where information, in every case where authority is given to any court, judge, magistrate or other officer, to require bail of a person accused of an offense, or of a witness in a criminal action.

ART. 290. A recognizance or bail-bond entered into by a defendant, Bail-bond and and which binds him to appear at a particular term of the district court, how construed, how construed, shall be construed to bind him and his sureties for his attendance upon the court from term to term, and from day to day, until discharged from further liability thereon according to law.

ART. 291. A minor or married woman can not be surety on a recogni-Minor or marzance or bail bond, but if either of these classes of persons be the can not be seaccused party, the undertaking shall be binding both upon principal and curity. surety.

ART. 292. It is the duty of every court, judge, magistrate, or other In what man-ner ball shall officer taking bail, to require evidence of the sufficiency of the security be taken offered; but in every case one surety shall be sufficient, if it be made to appear that such surety is worth at least double the amount of the sum for which he is bound, exclusive of all property exempted by law from execution, and of debts or other incumbrances; that he is a resident of this state, and has property therein liable to execution worth the sum for which he is bound.

ART. 293. The property secured by the constitution and laws from Property exforced sale shall not in any case be held liable for the satisfaction of a shall not be recognizance or bail-bond, either as to the principal or sureties.

ART. 294. In order to test the sufficiency of the security offered to any How sufficienrecognizance or bail-bond, unless the court or officer taking the same is shall be ascerfully satisfied as to the sufficiency of the security, the following oath shall tained. C.C.P. 271. be made in writing, and subscribed by the surety: "I, A B, do swear (or affirm as the case may be), that I am worth in my own right at least the sum of [here insert the amount in which the surety is bound,] after deducting from my property all that which is exempt by the constitution and laws of the state from forced sale, and after the payment of all my debts of every description, whether individual or security debts, and after satisfying all incumbrances upon my property which are known to me;

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that I reside in county, and have property in this state liable to execution, worth [amount for which he offers to be bound] or more.

[Signed by the surety.] Dated.....and attest by the

judge of the court, clerk,

magistrate or sheriff.

Which affidavit shall be filed with the papers of the cause, or criminal proceedings.

The affidavit provided for in the preceding article shall not ART. 295. be deemed conclusive, as to the sufficiency of the security, and if the court or officer taking the recognizance or bail-bond is not fully satisfied as to the sufficiency of the security offered, further evidence shall be required before approving the same.

ART. 296. The amount of bail to be required in any case is to be regulated by the court, judge, magistrate, or officer taking the bail; they are to be governed in the exercise of this discretion by the constitution of this state, and by the following rules:

1. The bail shall be sufficiently high to give reasonable assurance that the undertaking will be complied with.

2. The power to require bail is not to be used in such manner as to make it an instrument of oppression.

3. The nature of the offense and the circumstances under which it was committed are to be considered.

4. The pecuniary circumstances of the accused are to be regarded, and proof may be taken upon this point.

II. SURRENDER OF THE PRINCIPAL BY HIS BAIL.

ART. 297. Those who have become bail for the accused, or either of them, may at any time relieve themselves of their undertaking by surrending the accused into the custody of the sheriff of the county where he is prosecuted.

ART. 298. Should a surrender of the accused be made during a term during term of of the court to which he has bound himself to appear, the sheriff shall take him before the court; and if he is willing to give other bail, the court shall forthwith require him to do so, as in other cases.

ART. 299. If the surrender be made while the court is not in session, the sheriff may take himself the necessary bail-bond.

Any surety desiring to surrender his principal may, upon ART. 300. making a written affidavit of such intention before the court or magistrate before which the prosecution is pending, obtain from such court or magistrate a warrant of arrest for such principal, which shall be executed as in other cases.

ART. 301. If the accused fail or refuse to give bail, in case of a surrender, during a term of the court, the court shall make an order that he be committed to jail until the bail be given; and this shall be a sufficient commitment without any written order or warrant to the sheriff.

ART. 302. When the surrender is made at any other time than during the session of the court, and the defendant fails or refuses to give other bail, the sheriff shall take him before the nearest magistrate, and such magistrate shall issue a warrant of commitment, reciting the fact that the accused has been once admitted to bail, has been surrendered and now fails or refuses to give other bail.

ART. 303. The sheriff or other peace officer, in cases of misdemeanor, has authority at all times, whether during the term of the court or in vacation, where he has a defendant in custody under a warrant of commitment, warrant of arrest, or capias, or where the accused has been surrendered by his bail, to take of the defendant a bail-bond.

Surety may surrender his principal. C.C.P. 273.

When surrencourt. C.C.P. 274.

When court is not in session. C.C.P. 275.

Surety may ob-tain a warrant of arrest for principal, when. C.C.P. 274.

Proceedings when surrenwhen surren-der is in term time and ac-cused fails to give bond. C.C.P. 276.

When surrender is made in vacation and accused fails, etc, C.C.P. 277.

Sheriff, etc., may take bail-bond, when. C.C.P. 279.

Affidavit not

further evidence requir-ed, when.

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Rules for fixing amount of bail. C.C.P. 272.

ART. 304. In cases of felony, when the accused is in custody of the Sheriff, etc., sheriff or other peace officer, and the court before which the prosecution to take bail in is pending is in session in the county where the accused is in custody felony case. is pending is in session in the county where the accused is in custody, when court is such sheriff or peace officer is not authorized to take a bail-bond of in session. C.C.P. 220. the accused, but must take the accused forthwith before such court, that he may there enter into recognizance or be committed, as the case may be.

In a felony case, if the court before which the same is Maytake bail ÅRT. 305. ART. 305. In a reiony case, in the court bout bout but in custody, in felony case, pending is not in session in the county where the defendant is in custody, when, when, in custody may take his bailbond in such amount as may have been fixed by the court or magistrate, or if no amount has been fixed, then in such amount as such sheriff or other peace officer may consider reasonable.

ART. 306. In all recognizances, bail-bonds, or other bonds, taken under Sureties are the provisions of this Code, the sureties shall be severally bound, and bound, etc. where a surrender of the principal is made by one or more of them, all C.C.P. 281, 283. the sureties shall be considered discharged, and the principal shall be required to give new bail, as in the first instance.

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ART. 307. The rules laid down in the preceding articles of this chap- Rules in relater, relating to the amount of the bail, the number of sureties, the person of a general who may be surety, the property which is exempt from liability, the form nature, appli-of bail-bonds, the responsibility of parties to the same, and all other rules court. in this chapter of a general nature, are applicable to bail taken before an examining court.

After a full examination of the testimony the magistrate Proceedings ART. 308. ART. 308. After a full examination of the cost of the granted and ought when balls shall, if the case be one where bail may properly be granted evenue a bail. C.C.P. 285. to be required, proceed to make an order that the accused execute a bailbond with sufficient security, conditioned for his appearance before the proper court.

ART. 309. In capital cases, where the proof of the guilt of the accused when bail can is evident, bail can not be allowed. In all other cases the accused is and when it shall be alentitled to bail as a matter of right.

ART. 310. Reasonable time shall be given the accused to procure Reasonable time given to procure ball. C.C.P 289. security.

ART. 311. If, after the allowance of a reasonable time, the security be When bail is not given, the magistrate shall make an order committing the accused to istrate shall jail, to be there kept safely until legally discharged, and he shall issue a commit accurdingly.

ART. 312. If the party be ready to give bail, the magistrate shall pre- When accused pare, or cause to be prepared, a bail-bond, which shall be signed by the bail a bond accused and his surety or sureties, the magistrate first being satisfied as shall be pre-pared, etc. C.C.P. 291.

In all cases when the accused has given the required bond, Accused shall ART. 313. In all cases when the accused having him in custody, he shall at be inberated upon giving bond. ART. 313. once be set at liberty.

The magistrate before whom an examination has taken Magistrate ART. 314. place upon a criminal accusation, shall certify to all the proceedings had proceedings before him, and transmit them, sealed up, to the court before which the proper court. C.C.P. 295. defendant is subject to be tried upon indictment or information, writing his name across the seals of the envelope containing the proceedings. The voluntary statement of the defendant, the testimony of the witnesses, bail-bonds of the defendant and of witnesses, and all and every other proceeding in the case, shall be thus delivered to the clerk of the proper court without delay.

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lowed. C.C.P. 286-7,

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Duty of clerks who receive such proceedings.

Duty of magistrate in all cases to certify and deliver proceedings. C.C.P. 296.

Accused may waive an examination. Proceedings in such cases.

Witnesses required to give bond, when. C.C.P. 297.

Of amount of security required of a witness. C.C.P. 298.

Force and effect of witnesses' bonds. C.C.P. 299.

Witness who fails, etc., to give bond when required may be committed, etc.

ART. 315. If the proceedings be delivered to a clerk of the district court, he shall keep the same safely, and deliver the same to the foreman of the next grand jury as soon as said grand jury is organized. If the proceedings are delivered to a clerk of the county court, he shall keep the same safely, and without delay deliver them to the district or county attorney of his county.

Arr. 316. It is the duty of a magistrate, as well where a party has been discharged as where he has been held to bail or committed, to certify and deliver the proceedings in the case, as provided in article 314, and he shall likewise, when a complaint has been made to him of the commission of an offense and there has been a failure from any cause to arrest the accused, file with the proper clerk the complaint and warrant of arrest, together with a list of the witnesses and their residence, if known.

ART. 317. In all bailable cases before an examining court, the accused may waive a trial of the accusation and consent for the magistrate to require bail of him, but in such case the prosecutor or magistrate may cause the witnesses for the state to be examined as in other cases, and the magistrate shall transmit, with the other proceedings in the case, to the clerk of the proper court, a list of the witnesses for the state, whether examined or not, and their residence, if known.

IV. BAIL BY WITNESSES.

ART. 318. Witnesses on behalf of the state or defendant may be required by the magistrate, upon the examination of any criminal accusation before him, to give bail for their appearance to testify before the proper court; and if a witness make oath that he is unable to give security or deposit a sufficient amount of money in lieu thereof, then his individual bond shall be taken.

ART. 319. The amount of security to be required of a witness is to be regulated by his pecuniary condition, and the nature of the offense with respect to which he is a witness.

ART. 320. The bonds given by witnesses for their appearance shall have the same force and effect of bail-bonds, and may be forfeited and recovered upon in the same manner.

ART. 321. When a witness, who has been required to give bail, fails or refuses to do so, and fails or refuses to make the affidavit provided for in article 318, he shall be committed to jail as in other cases of a failure or refusal to give bail when required; but he shall be released from custody upon giving such bail, or upon making the affidavit provided for in article 318, and giving his individual bond.

TITLE VI.

Of Search Marrants.

CHAPTER ONE.

GENERAL RULES.

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Definition of word "stolen"..... When asked for in reference to property not 325

ARTICLE 322. A "search warrant" is a written order, issued by a magis- Definition of trate and directed to a peace officer, commanding him to search for personal "sea property, and to seize the same and bring it before such magistrate; or it C. is a like written order commanding a peace officer to search a suspected place where it is alleged stolen property is commonly concealed, or implements kept for the purpose of being used in the commission of any designated offense.

ART. 323. A search warrant may be issued for the following purposes For what purand no others:

1. To discover property acquired by theft, or in any other manner which makes its acquisition a penal offense.

2. To search suspected places where it is alleged property so illegally acquired is commonly kept or concealed.

3. To search places where it is alleged implements are kept for the purpose of being used in forging or counterfeiting.

4. To search places where it is alleged arms or munitions are kept or prepared for the purpose of insurrection or riot.

5. To seize and bring before a magistrate any such property, implements, arms or munitions.

Note.—Section 1, chapter 42, acts 1879, authorizes a warrant to be issued to search houses suspected of selling liquor in violation of the "local option" law.—L.

A warrant to search for and seize stolen property is designed Its object. ART. 324. as a means of obtaining possession of the property for the purpose of restoring it to the true owner, and detecting any person guilty of the theft or concealment of the same.

ART. 325. The word "stolen," as used in this title, is intended to Definition of embrace also the acquisition of property by any means forbidden and word "stolen." made penal by the law of the state.

When it is alleged that the property, to search for which a when asked ART. 326. warrant is asked, was acquired in any other manner than by theft, the for in refer-particular manner of its acquisition must be set forth in the complaint and ty not stolen. in the warrant in the warrant.

ART. 327. The mode of proceeding, directed to be pursued in applying These rules ap-for a warrant to search for and seize *stolen* property, and the rules prescribed for officers in issuing such warrants, and executing the same, the disposition of the property seized, and all other rules herein prescribed on the subject shall apply and be pursued when the property to be searched for was acquired in any manner in violation of the provisions of the Penal Code.

poses it may be issued. C.C.P. 301.

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CHAPTER TWO.

WHEN AND HOW A SEARCH WARRANT MAY BE ISSUED.

Contents of application for search warrant. C.C.P. 306.

ARTICLE 328. A warrant to search for and seize property alleged to be stolen and concealed at a particular place, may be issued by a magistrate whenever complaint in writing and on oath is made to such magistrate, setting forth-

1. The name of the person accused of having stolen or concealed the property, or, if his name be unknown, giving a description of the accused; or stating that the person who stole or concealed the property is unknown.

2. The kind of property, and its probable value, alleged to be stolen or concealed.

3. The place where the property is alleged to be concealed.

4. The time, as near as may be, when the property is alleged to have been stolen.

A warrant to discover and seize property alleged to have ART. 329. been stolen, or otherwise acquired in violation of the penal law, but not alleged to be concealed at any particular place, may be issued whenever complaint is made in writing and on oath, setting forth-

1. The name of the person suspected of being the thief, or an accurate description of him if his name be unknown, or that the thief is unknown.

2. An accurate description of the property, and its probable value.

3. The time, as near as may be, when the property is supposed to have been stolen.

4. That the person complaining has good ground to believe that the property was stolen by the person alleged to be the thief.

ART. 330. A warrant to search any place suspected to be one where stolen goods are commonly concealed, or where implements are kept, for the purpose of aiding in the commission of offenses, may be issued by a magistrate when complaint is made in writing and on oath, setting forth---

1. A description of the place suspected.

2. A description of the kind of property alleged to be commonly concealed at such place, or the kind of implements kept.

3. The name, if known, of the person supposed to have charge of such place, when it is alleged that it is under the charge of any one.

4. When it is alleged that implements are kept at a place for the purpose of aiding in the commission of offenses, the particular offense for which such implements are designed must be set forth.

The magistrate at the time of issuing a search warrant, may ART. 331. also issue a warrant for the arrest of the person accused of having stolen the property, or of having concealed the same, or of having in his possession or charge property concealed at a suspected place, or of having possession of implements designed for use in the commission of the offense of forgery, counterfeiting or burglary, or of having the charge of arms or munitions prepared for the purpose of insurrection, or of having prepared such arms or munitions, or who may be in any legal manner accused of being accomplice or accessory to any of the offenses above enumerated.

The search warrant may, in addition to commanding the ART. 332. peace officer to seize property, also require him to bring before the magistrate the person accused of having stolen or concealed the property.

Contents of application for warrant to search sus-pected place. C.C.P. 308.

Warrant to arrest may issue with the search warrant in certain cases. C.C.P. 309.

Search warrant may com-mand officer to bring party ac-cused before the magistrate.

Contents of ap-plication for warrant to dis-cover and seize. C.C.P. 307.

ART. 333. A search warrant to seize property stolen and concealed Requisites of a search warrant C.C.P. 311. shall be deemed sufficient if it contain the following requisites: 1. That it run in the name of "The State of Texas."

2. That it be directed to the sheriff or other peace officer of the proper county.

3. That it describe the property alleged to be stolen or concealed, and the place where it is alleged to be concealed, and order the same to be brought before the magistrate.

4. That it name the person accused of having stolen or concealed the property; or, if his name be unknown, that it describe him with accuracy, and direct the officer to bring such person before the magistrate, or state that the person who stole or concealed the property is unknown.

5. That it be dated and signed by the magistrate.

ART. 334. A warrant to search a suspected place shall be deemed Requisites of a warrant to search if it contain the following requisites: 1. That it run in the name of "The State of Texas." 2. (I) A state of the subsect of the su sufficient if it contain the following requisites:1. That it run in the name of "The State of Texas."

2. That it describe with accuracy the place suspected.

3. That it describe, as near as may be, the property supposed to be commonly concealed in such suspected place, or the implements alleged to be there kept for the purpose of aiding in the commission of offenses, and state the particular offense for which such implements are designed.

4. That it name the person accused of having charge of the suspected place, if there be any such person, or if his name is unknown, that it describe him with accuracy and direct him to be brought before the magistrate.

5. That it be dated and signed by the magistrate and directed to the sheriff or other peace officer of the proper county.

CHAPTER THREE.

OF THE EXECUTION OF A SEARCH WARRANT.

Article Warrant shall be executed without delay... Three whole days allowed for warrant to run...... . 335 336

ARTICLE 335. Any peace officer to whom a search warrant is delivered Warrant shall shall execute the same without delay, and forthwith return the same to the be executed without delay, proper magistrate. It must be executed within three days from the time etc. O.C.P. 313, 319 of its issuance, and shall be executed within a shorter period, if so directed in the warrant by the magistrate.

ART. 336. The three days time allowed for the execution of a search Three whole warrant shall be three whole days, exclusive of the day of its issuance and for warrant to rim. of the day of its execution.

The officer shall, upon going to the place ordered to be Officer shall ART. 337. searched, or before seizing any property for which he is ordered to make purpose to exe-search, give notice of his purpose to the person who has charge of, or is cute warrant. O.C.P. 315. an inmate of the place, or who has possession of the property described in the warrant.

ART. 338. In the execution of a search warrant the officer may call to Power of offihis aid any number of citizens in his county, who shall be bound to aid in the warrant. the execution of the same. If he is resisted in the execution of the war-c.C.P. 314, 316. rant, he may use such force as is necessary to overcome the resistance, but no greater.

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Shall seize per-son accused trate. , C.C.P. 318.

Officer shall give receipt for property. C.C.P. 320.

How return made. C.C.P. 321.

All persons have the right to prevent the consequences of theft, etc. C.C.P. 94.

In the execution of a search warrant, the officer may break ART. 339. have other house by force. down a door or a window of any house which he is ordered to search, if he C.C.P. 317, can not effect an entrance by other less violent means; but when the warrant issues only for the purpose of discovering property stolen, or otherwise obtained in violation of the penal law, without designating any particular place where it is supposed to be concealed, no such authority is given to the officer executing the same.

When the property, implements, arms or munitions which ART. 340. the officer is directed to search for and seize are found, he shall take posand property, the officer is directed to scale for and solar the magistrate. He shall also arrest any person whom he is directed to arrest by the warrant, and forthwith take such person before the magistrate.

> ART. 341. An officer taking any property, implements, arms or munitions, shall receipt therefor to the person from whose possession the same may have been taken.

Upon returning the search warrant the officer shall state on ART. 342. the back of the same, or on some paper attached to it, the manner in which it has been executed, and shall likewise deliver to the magistrate an inventory of the property, implements, arms or munitions taken in his possession under the warrant.

ART. 343. All persons have a right to prevent the consequences of theft by seizing any personal property which has been stolen, and bringing it with the supposed offender, if he can be taken, before a magistrate for examination, or delivering the same to a peace officer for that purpose. To justify such seizure there must, however, be reasonable grounds to suppose the property to be stolen, and the seizure must be openly made and the proceedings had without delay.

CHAPTER FOUR

PROCEEDINGS ON THE RETURN OF A SEARCH WARRANT.

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Disposition of stolen prop-erty, etc. C.C.P. 322.

Officer seizing implements, etc., shall keep same subject, etc. C,C.P. 323.

Magistrate shall proceed to investigate, etc. C.C.P. 330.

Shall discharge defendant, when. C.C.P. 332.

ARTICLE 344. When property is taken under the provisions of this title and delivered to a magistrate, he shall, if it appear that the same was stolen or otherwise acquired in violation of the penal law, dispose of it according to the rules prescribed in this Code with reference to the disposition of stolen property.

When a warrant has been issued for the purpose of search-**Ā**вт. 345. ing a suspected place, and there be found any such implements, arms or munitions, as are alleged to have been there kept or concealed, the same shall be safely kept by the officer seizing the same, subject to the further order of the magistrate.

The magistrate, upon the return of a search warrant, shall ART, 346. proceed to try the questions arising upon the same, and shall take testimony as in other examinations before him, and be governed by like rules.

ART. 347. If the magistrate be not satisfied upon investigation that there was good ground for the issuance of the warrant, he shall discharge the defendant and order restitution of the property or articles taken from him, except implements which appear to be designed for forging, counterfeiting or burglary; and in such case the implements shall be kept by

the sheriff or officer who seized the same, subject to the order of the proper court.

ART. 348. The sheriff or other officer who seizes any property under a Sheriff, etc., search warrant, shall furnish the magistrate to whom he returns the magistrate warrant with a certified schedule of the articles of property so seized. warrant with a certified schedule of the articles of property so seized.

property seized. C.C.P. 324,

Arms or munitions taken under a warrant in accordance Arms, etc., for-risions of this title shall become forfeited to the state, and C.C.P. 324. ART. 349. with the provisions of this title shall become forfeited to the state, and shall be so adjudged by the proper court upon the conviction or escape of any person accused of having had possession of or of having concealed them.

ART. 350. If the magistrate be satisfied there was good ground for Proceedings ance with the rules prescribed in this Code for other criminal cases before the warrant an examining court.

was issued upon good ground. C.C.P. 331.

ART. 351. The magistrate shall keep a record of all the proceedings Magistrate had before him in cases of search warrants, and shall certify the same and record, etc., of deliver them to the clerk of the court having jurisdiction of the case proceedings to proper court. before the next term of said court, and accompany the same with all the etc. original papers relating thereto, including the certified schedule of the C.C.P. 334 original papers relating thereto, including the certified schedule of the property seized required by article 348.

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TITLE VII.

Of the Proceedings Subsequent to Commitment or Bail, and Prior to the Trial.

CHAPTER ONE.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND JURY.

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The district judge shall, at each term of the district ARTICLE 352. court, appoint three persons to perform the duties of jury commissioners, who shall possess the following qualifications:

1. They shall be intelligent citizens of the county and able to read and write.

2. They shall be freeholders in the county and qualified jurors in the county

3. They shall be residents of different portions of the county.

4. They shall have no suit in the district court of such county which

Commissioners ART. 353. The judge shall cause the persons appointed as jury com-shall be noti-field of appoint-ment, etc. Appointment, and of the time and place when and where there Id. appear before the judge.

ART. 354. When the persons appointed appear before the judge, he shall administer to them the following oath: "You do swear faithfully to discharge the duties required of you as jury commissioners; that you will not knowingly elect any man as juryman whom you believe to be unfit and not qualified; that you will not make known to any one the name of any juryman selected by you and reported to the court; that you will not, directly or indirectly, converse with any one selected by you as a jury-

Jury commis-sioners shall be appointed, and their qualifications. (Act Aug. 1, 1876, p. 79, §4.)

Oath of jury commission-Id. ers.

man concerning the merit of any case to be tried at the next term of this court until after said cause may be tried or continued or the jury discharged."

ART. 355. The jury commissioners, after they have been organized and Shall be in-sworn, shall be instructed by the judge in their duties and shall then their duties retire in charge of the sheriff or a deputy sheriff to a suitable room or furnished with retire in charge of the sheriff or a deputy sheriff to a suitable room, stat appartment to be secured by the sheriff for that purpose. They shall be ery, etc. Id. §6. furnished by the clerk with the necessary stationery, and with the names of the persons appearing from the records of the court to be exempt or disqualified from serving on the jury at each term, and they shall also be furnished with the last assessment roll of the county.

The jury commissioners shall be kept free from the intru- shall be kept ART. 356. sion of any person during their session, and shall not separate without free from in leave of the court until they shall have completed the duties required of shall not sepathem.

ART. 357. The jury commissioners shall select from the citizens of the Shall select different portions of the county sixteen persons, to be summoned as grand $\frac{grand}{Id}$, p. 83, §28. jurors for the next term of the district court.

ART. 358. No person shall be selected or serve as a grand juror who Qualifications of grand judoes not possess the following qualifications :

Id. p. 78, §1, 3. C.C.P. 389. 1. He must be a citizen of the state and of the county in which he is to serve, and qualified under the constitution and laws to vote in said county.

2. He must be a freeholder within the state, or a householder within the county.

3. He must be of sound mind and good moral character.

4. He must be able to read and write.

5. He must not have been convicted of any felony.

6. He must not be under indictment or other legal accusation of theft, or of any felony.

ART. 359. The names of the persons selected as grand jurors by the Names of commissioners shall be written upon a paper, and the fact that they were grand jurors shall be reso selected shall be certified and signed by the jury commissioners, who turned how. Id. p. 78, §28. shall place said paper so certified and signed in an envelope and seal the same and indorse thereon the words: "The list of grand jurors selected ...term of the district court," the blank to be filled by stating the at..... month and year in which the term of the court began its session. The commissioners shall write their names across the seal of said envelope, and direct the same to the district judge and deliver it to him in open court.

ART. 360. The judge shall deliver the envelope containing the list of Judge shall degrand jurors, as provided for in the preceding article, to the clerk or one clerk. of his deputies, in open court, and without opening the same.

ART. 361. Before the list of grand jurors is delivered to the clerk as Oath shall be provided in the preceding article, the judge shall administer to the clerk to clerk, etc., and each of his deputies, in open court, the following oath : "You do by judge swear that you will not open the jury lists now delivered to you, nor permit them to be opened until the time prescribed by law; that you will not directly or indirectly converse with any one selected as a juror concerning any case or proceeding which may come before such juror for trial in this court at its next term."

Should the clerk subsequently appoint a deputy, such clerk subsequently appointed shall take same oath at the time of such appointment. Shall take same oath. Id. ART. 362. shall administer to him the same oath at the time of such appointment.

ART. 363. Within thirty days of the next term of the district court, when clerk and not before, the clerk or one of his deputies shall open the envelope shall open the containing the list of grand jurors, and make out a fair copy of the names Id, §9. of the persons selected as grand jurors, and certify to the same under his official seal and deliver it to the sheriff or his deputy.

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Mode of summoning grand jurors. Id.

ART. 364. It shall be the duty of the sheriff or his deputy to summon the persons named in the list at least three days, exclusive of the day of service, prior to the first day of the term of the court at which they are to serve, by giving personal notice to each juror of the time and place when and where he is to attend as a grand juror, or by leaving at his place of residence, with a member of his family over sixteen years old, a written notice to such juror that he has been selected as a grand juror, and the time and place when and where he is to attend.

ART. 365. The sheriff or officer executing such summons shall return the list on the first day of the term of the court at which such jurors are to serve, with a certificate thereon of the date and manner of service upon each juror, and if any of said jurors have not been summoned he shall also state in his certificate the reason why they have not been summoned.

ART. 366. A jury legally summoned, failing to attend without a reasonable excuse, may, by order of the court entered on the record, be fined not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars.

ART. 367. If for any cause there should be a failure to select and summon a grand jury as herein directed, or when none of those summoned shall attend, the district court shall, on the first day of the organization thereof, direct a writ to be issued to the sheriff commanding him to summon any number of persons not less than twelve nor more than sixteen persons to serve as grand jurors.

ART. 368. When a number less than twelve of those summoned to serve as grand jurors are found to be in attendance and qualified to serve as grand jurors, the court shall order the sheriff to summon such additional number of persons as may be deemed necessary to constitute a grand jury of twelve men.

ART. 369. The jurors provided for in the two preceding articles shall be summoned to attend before the court forthwith, and shall be summoned in person, but shall not be entitled to service three days before the time they are to attend, as provided in the case of jurors selected by jury commissioners.

ART. 370. The court, upon directing the sheriff to summon grand jurors not selected by the jury commissioners, shall instruct him that he must summon no person to serve as a grand juror who does not possess the qualifications prescribed in article 358.

ART. 371. When as many as twelve persons summoned to serve as grand jurors are in attendance upon the court, it shall proceed to test their qualifications as such.

ART. 372. Each person who is presented to serve as a grand juror shall, before being impaneled, be interrogated on oath by the district judge, or under his direction, touching his qualifications.

ART. 373. In trying the qualifications of any person to serve as a grand juror, he shall be asked these questions:

1. Are you a citizen of this state and county, and qualified to vote in this county under the constitution and laws of this state?

2. Are you a freeholder in this state or a householder in this county?

3. Are you able to read and write?

ART. 374. When by the answers of the person it appears to the court that he is a qualified juror, he shall be accepted as such, unless it be shown that he is not of sound mind or of good moral character, or unless it be shown that he is in fact not a qualified voter.

ART. 375. Any person summoned who does not possess the requisite qualifications shall be excused by the court from serving.

ART. 376. When twelve qualified jurors are found to be present the court shall proceed to impanel them as a grand jury, unless a challenge

Return of officer. Id.

Juror may be fined for not attending. *Id.* §10.

Where there has been a failure to select, etc., grand jury, court shall direct grand jury to be summoned. C.C.P. 347.

When less than 12 attend court shall order others summoned, C.C.P. 354.

When jurors shall be required to attend forthwith.

Sheriff shall be instructed by court not to summon disqualified persons. Court shall proceed to test qualifications of jurors, when. C.C.P. 348.

Shall be interrogated touching qualifications.

C.C.P. 349. Mode of testing juror's qualifications. C.C.P. 350.

When juror is qualified shall be accepted, etc. C.C.P. 351.

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Jury shall be impaneled, when, unless,

etc. C.C.P. 353. is made, which may be to the array or to any particular individual presented to serve as a grand juror.

ART. 377. Any person, before the grand jury have been impaneled, Any person may challenge the array of jurors or any person presented as a grand juror, when when a person C.C.P. 362. and in no other way shall objections to the qualifications and legality of the grand jury be heard. Any person confined in jail in the county shall, upon his request, be brought into court to make such challenge.

By the array of grand jurors is meant the whole body of Definition of noned to serve as such before they have been impaneled. ART. 378. persons summoned to serve as such before they have been impaneled.

ART. 379. A grand juror is said to be empaneled after his qualifica- Meaning of "impaneled," tions have been tried and he has been sworn. By the word "panel," is etc. meant the whole body of grand jurors.

A challenge to the array shall be made in writing, and for Causes for challenge to ART. 380. these causes only: the array. C.C.P. 363.

1. That the persons summoned as grand jurors are not, in fact, the persons selected by the jury commissioners.

2. In case of grand jurors summoned by order of the court, that the officer who summoned them has acted corruptly in summoning any one or more of them.

A challenge to a particular grand juror may be made orally, Causes for challenge to a ART. 381. and for the following causes only:

1. That he is not a qualified grand juror.

2. That he is the prosecutor upon an accusation against the person making the challenge.

3. That he is related by consanguinity or affinity to some person who has been held to bail, or who is in confinement upon a criminal accusation.

When a challenge to the array or to any individual has been Court shall de-cide challenge ART. 382. made, the court shall hear proof and decide in a summary manner whether summarily. C.C.P. 865. the challenge be well founded or not.

ART. 383. If the challenge to the array be sustained, or if by challenge when chalto any particular individual the number of grand jurors be reduced below twelve, the court shall order another grand jury to be summoned, or shall shall order other jurors order the panel to be completed, as the case may be, as provided in previous articles of this chapter.

ART. 384. When the grand jury is completed the court shall appoint our spinors, one of the number foreman, and the following oath shall be administered C.C.P. 356. (Act March When the grand jury is completed the court shall appoint Oath of grand by the court, or under its direction, to each of the jurors:

"You solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that you will diligently inquire into, and true presentment make of all such matters and things as shall be given you in charge; the state's counsel, your fellows and your own you shall keep secret, unless required to disclose the same in the course of a judicial proceeding in which the truth or falsity of evidence given in the grand jury room, in a criminal case, shall be under investigation. You shall present no person from envy, hatred or malice, neither shall you leave any person unpresented for love, fear, favor, affection or hope of reward, but you shall present things truly as they come to your knowledge, according to the best of your understanding, so help you God."

ART. 385. After the grand jury has been sworn, the court shall give Court shall inthem instruction as to their duty.

NOTE.—It is made the duty of the judge, by chapter 92, acts 1879, to give the To charge "local option" law in charge to the jury in counties where it has been adopted.—L. "local option" law.

ART. 386. One or more bailiffs may be appointed by the court to Bailiffs may be attend upon the grand jury, and at the time of appointment the following appointed ar oath shall be administered to each of them by the court, or under its shall tak direction:

"You solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that you will faithfully and impartially perform all the duties of bailiff of the grand

particular juror. C.C.P. 364.

lenge is sus-tained court

etc. C.C.P. 366-7. Ï13, 1875, p. 166.)

struct grand jury. C.C.P. 357.

C.C.P. 358.

C.C.P. 360.

jury, and that you will keep secret the proceedings of the grand jury, so help you God."

Bailiff's duties. C.C.P. 359. A bailiff is to obey the instructions of the foreman, to sum-ÅRT. 387. mon all witnesses, and generally to perform all such duties as are required Where two bailiffs are appointed one of them of him by the foreman. shall be always with the grand jury.

A bailiff shall take no part in the discussions or deliberations ART. 388. of the grand jury, and shall not be present when the grand jury is either discussing or voting upon a question, and any violation of duty upon the part of a bailiff shall be reported by the grand jury to the court, and for such violation of duty he may be punished by the court as for contempt.

ART. 389. In case of the absence of the foreman of the grand jury from any cause, or of his inability or disqualification to act, the court shall appoint in his place some other member of the body.

Nine members shall be a quorum for the purpose of dis-ART. 390. charging any duty, or exercising any right properly belonging to the grand jury.

ART. 391. When a grand jury has been discharged by the court for the term, it may be re-assembled by the court at any time during the term, and in case of failure of one or more of the members to re-assemble the court may complete the panel by impaneling other qualified persons in their stead, in accordance with the rules prescribed in this chapter for completing the grand jury in the first instance.

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ART. 393. The deliberations of the grand jury shall be secret, and any member of the body or bailiff who divulges anything transpiring before them, in the course of their official duties, shall be liable to a fine, as for contempt of the court, not exceeding one hundred dollars, and to imprisonment not exceeding five days.

ART. 394. The attorney representing the state may go before the grand jury at any time, except when they are discussing the propriety of finding a bill of indictment or voting upon the same.

The attorney representing the state may examine the wit-ART. 395. nesses before the grand jury, and may advise as to the proper mode of interrogating them, if desired, or if he thinks it necessary.

Suitable place to be prepared for grand jury. C.C.P. 371.

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when. C.C.P. 361. Nine members constitute a quorum. (Const., art 5, §13.) C.C.P. 370.

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ART. 397. The grand jury may also seek and receive advice from the Grand jury court touching any matter before them, and for this purpose shall go into vice from the court in a body; but they shall so guard the manner of propounding their court questions as not to divulge the particular accusation that is pending before them; or they may propound their questions in writing, upon which the court may give them the desired information in writing.

ART. 398. The foreman shall preside over the sessions of the grand Foreman shall jury and conduct its business and proceedings in an orderly manner. He grand jury, etc. may appoint one or more of the members of the body to act as clerks for the grand jury.

The grand jury shall meet and adjourn at times agreed Grand jury shall meet and ART. 399. upon by a majority of the body, but they shall not adjourn at any one adjourn time for more than three days unless by the consent of the court; but C.P. with the consent of the court they may adjourn for a longer time, and shall, as near as may be, conform their adjournments to those of the court.

ART. 400. It is the duty of the grand jury to inquire into all offenses Duties of grand liable to indictment, of which any of the members may have knowledge, ^{jury.} C.C.P. 378. or of which they shall be informed by the attorney representing the state, or any other credible person.

ART. 401. The foreman of the grand jury may issue a summons or Foreman may attachment for any witness in the county where they are sitting, which for witnesses, attachment for any writes in the county where they are shong, which for wheeses, summons or attachment may require the witness to appear before them at (Act Aug. 15, a time fixed or forthwith, without stating the matter in respect to which is?.). C.C.P. 379. the witness will be called upon to testify.

The foreman of the grand jury or the attorney representing Attachment Акт. 402. the state may, upon application in writing to the district court, stating the name and residence of the witness, and that his testimony is believed the name and residence of the witness, and that his testimony is believed be obtained, to be material, cause an attachment to be issued to any county in the state how. for such witness, returnable to the grand jury then in session, or to the 1870, next grand jury for the county from whence the same issued, as such P.D. 6602. foreman or attorney may desire, which attachment shall command the sheriff or any constable of the county where such witness resides, to arrest such witness and have him before the grand jury at the time and place. specified in the writ.

ART. 403. The district or county attorney may cause an attachment Mattachment for a witness to be issued, as provided in the preceding article, either in edin vacation, etc. Id. term time or in vacation.

The bailiff or other officer who receives process to be served Bailiff, etc. ART. 404. ART. 404. The ballin or other oncer who receives process to be served ball excute from a grand jury, shall forthwith execute the same and return it to the and return proforeman, if the grand jury be in session; and if the grand jury be not in cess from grand jury, etc. session, the process shall be returned to the clerk of the district court. If the process is returned not executed, the return shall state the reason why it was not executed.

ART. 405. If it be made to appear satisfactorily to the court that a Evasion of serwitness for whom a summons or attachment has been issued, to go before vice by witness the grand jury is in any meaning willfully availing the convice of such the punishthe grand jury, is in any manner willfully evading the service of such ed by fine. summons or attachment, the court may fine such witness as for a contempt not exceeding one hundred dollars.

When a witness, brought in any manner before a grand jury, When witness ART. 406. When a witness, brought in any manner before a grand jury, when when refuses to testify, such fact shall be made known to the attorney represent-ing the state or to the court, and the court may compel the witness to answer the question, if it appear to be a proper one, by imposing a fine not C.C.P. 381. **ART.** 406. answer the question, if it appear to be a proper one, by imposing a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, and by committing the party to jail until he is willing to testify.

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Indictment shall be pre-sented in open court, etc. C.C.P. 388.

Presentment of record, etc. (Act May 25, 1876, p. 8.)

ART. 407. The following oath shall be administered by the foreman. or under his direction, to all witnesses before being interrogated:

"You solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that you will not divulge, either by words or signs, any matter about which you may be interrogated, and that you will keep secret all proceedings of the grand jury which may be had in your presence, and that you will true answers make to such questions as may be propounded to you by the grand jury, or under its direction, so help you God."

The grand jury in propounding questions to a witness shall ART. 408. direct the examination to the person accused or suspected, shall state the offense with which he is charged, the county where the offense is said to have been committed, and, as nearly as may be, the time of the commission of the offense; but should the jury think it necessary, they may ask the witness in general terms whether he has knowledge of the violation of any particular law by any person, and if so by what person.

When a felony has been committed in any county within ART. 409. the jurisdiction of the grand jury, and the name of the person guilty thereof is unknown, or where it is uncertain by whom the same was committed, the grand jury may ask any pertinent question relative to the transaction in such manner as to ascertain who is the guilty party.

NOTE.-Article 410, submitted by the Revisers, was stricken out by the legislature before adopting the Codes.-L.

ART. 411. After all the testimony which is accessible to the grand jury shall have been given in respect to any criminal accusation, the vote shall be taken as to the presentment of a bill of indictment, and if nine members concur in finding the bill the foreman shall make a memorandum of the same for the purpose of enabling the attorney who represents the state to write the indictment.

The memorandum furnished the attorney shall state the ART. 412. name of the defendant if known, and if unknown shall describe him; the name of the party injured or attempted to be injured, if any one; the nature of the offense; the time and place of its commission, and the names of the witnesses on whose testimony the accusation is sustained.

Indictment shall be pre-pared by attor-ney and signed, etc. by foreshall sign the same officially, and the attorney representing the state indorse thereon the names of the witnesses upon whose testimony the same was found.

When the indictment is ready to be presented the grand Art. 414. jury shall go in a body into open court, and through their foreman deliver the indictment to the judge of the court, and at least nine members of the grand jury must be present on such occasions.

The fact of a presentment of an indictment in open court ART. 415. by a grand jury shall be entered upon the minutes of the proceedings of the court, noting briefly the style of the criminal action and the file number of the indictment, but omiting the name of the defendant, unless he is in custody or under bond.

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ARTICLE 416. All felonies shall be presented by indictment only, Felonies pre-sented by in-indictment only, C.C.P. 390. except in cases specially provided for.

ART. 417. All misdemeanors may be presented by either information Misdemeanors presented by indictment or, or indictment.

ART. 418. All offenses known to the penal law of this state must be All offenses prosecuted either by indictment or information. This provision does not sented by in-include fines and penalties for contempt of court, nor special cases in dictment or include fines and penalties for contempt of court, nor special cases in dictment or information. which inferior courts exercise jurisdiction.

ART. 419. An indictment is the written statement of a grand jury, An "indict-accusing a person therein named of some act or omission, which, by law, C.C.P. 394. is declared to be an offense.

ART. 420. An indictment shall be deemed sufficient if it has the fol- Requisites of lowing requisites:

1. It shall commence "In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas."

2. It must appear therefrom that the same was presented in the district court of the county where the grand jury is in session.

3. It must appear to be the act of a grand jury of the proper county.

4. It must contain the name of the accused, or state that his name is unknown, and in case his name is unknown give a reasonably accurate description of him.

5. It must show that the place where the offense was committed is within the jurisdiction of the court in which the indictment is presented.

6. The time mentioned must be some date anterior to the presentment of the indictment, and not so remote that the prosecution of the offense is barred by limitation.

7. The offense must be set forth in plain and intelligible words.

8. The indictment must conclude "Against the peace and dignity of the state."

9. It shall be signed officially by the foreman of the grand jury.

ART. 421. Everything should be stated in an indictment which it is what should necessary to prove, but that which it is not necessary to prove need not indictment, be stated

etc. C.C.P. 396. (State v. Mc-Cormack, 2 Tex. R., 297.)

ART. 422. The certainty required in an indictment is such as will The certainty enable the accused to plead the judgment that may be given upon it, in C.P. 398. bar of any prosecution for the same offense.

ART. 423. Where a particular intent is a material fact in the descrip- Particular intent to of the offense, it must be stated in the indictment. But in any case tent-intent to defraud. where an intent to defraud is required to constitute an offense, it shall be C.C.P. 399.

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sufficient to allege an intent to defraud, without naming therein the particular person intended to be defrauded.

ART. 424. When by law the offense may be prosecuted in either of two or more counties, the indictment may allege the offense to have been committed in the county where the same is prosecuted, or in any county or place where the offense was actually committed.

ART. 425. In alleging the name of the defendant, or of any other person necessary to be stated in an indictment, it shall be sufficient to state one or more of the initials of the christian name and the surname. When a person is known by two or more names, it shall be sufficient to state either name. When the name of the person is unknown to the grand jury that fact shall be stated, and if it be the person accused of the offense, a reasonably accurate description of him shall be given in the indictment.

ART. 426. Where one person owns the property, and another person has the possession, charge or control of the same, the ownership thereof may be alleged to be in either. Where property is owned in common, or jointly, by two or more persons, the ownership may be alleged to be in all or either of them. When the property belongs to the estate of a deceased person, the ownership may be alleged to be in the executor, administrator or heirs of such deceased person, or in any one of such heirs. Where it is the separate property of a married woman the ownership may be alleged to be in her, or in her husband. Where the ownership of the property is unknown to the grand jury it shall be sufficient to allege that fact.

ART. 427. When it becomes necessary to describe property of any kind in an indictment, a general description of the same by name, kind, quantity, number and ownership, if known, shall be sufficient. If the property be real estate its general locality in the county, and the name of the owner, occupant or claimant thereof, shall be a sufficient description of the same.

ART. 428. In an indictment for a felony it is not necessary to use the words "felonious" or "feloniously."

ART. 429. An "information" is a written statement filed and presented in behalf of the state by the district or county attorney, accusing the defendant therein named of an offense which is by law subject to be prosecuted in that manner.

ART. 430, An information is sufficient if it has the following requisites: 1. It shall commence "In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas."

2. That it shall appear to have been presented in a court having jurisdiction of the offense set forth.

3. That it appear to have been presented by the proper officer.

4. That it contains the name of the person accused, or be stated that his name is unknown, and give a reasonably accurate description of him.

5. It must appear that the place where the offense is charged to have been committed is within the jurisdiction of the court where the information is filed.

6. That the time of the commission of the offense be some date anterior to the filing of the information, and that the offense does not appear to be barred by limitation.

7. That the offense be set forth in plain and intelligible words.

8. That the information conclude "Against the peace and dignity of the state."

9. It shall be signed by the district or county attorney, officially.

ART. 431. An information shall not be presented by the district or county attorney until oath has been made by some credible person, charging the defendant with an offense. The oath shall be reduced to writing and filed with the information. It may be sworn to before the district

Allegation of venue, etc. C.C.P. 400.

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Shall not be presented until oath has been made, etc. C.C.P. 404. or county attorney who, for that purpose, shall have power to administer the oath, or it may be made before any officer authorized by law to administer oaths.

ART. 432. The rules laid down in this chapter with respect to the alle- Rules as to in gations in indictments and the certainty required are applicable also to informations.

ART. 433. An indictment or information may contain as many counts, Indictment, charging the same offense, as the attorney who prepares it may think etc., may co necessary to insert, and an indictment or information shall be sufficient if counts. any one of its counts be sufficient.

ART. 434. When an indictment or information has been lost, mislaid, When indictmutilated or obliterated, the district or county attorney may suggest the mation has fact to the court, and the same shall be entered upon the minutes of the been lost, mis-court, and in such case another indictment or information may be substituted upon the written statement of the district or county attorney that it is substantially the same as that which has been lost, mislaid, mutilated or obliterated. Or another indictment may be presented, as in the first instance, and in such case the period for the commencement of the prosecution shall be dated from the time of making such entry.

At the end of each term of the district court of each county Order transfer ART. 435. in this state, the district judge shall make an order transferring all crim- ring cases. (Const., art. 5, in this state, the district judge shall make an order value of the several \$17. inal cases over which the district court has no jurisdiction to the several \$17. courts in the county having jurisdiction over the respective cases, and 1876, p. 135. shall state in his order the causes transferred, and to what court they are (Acts 1879, ch. 65, p. 71.) transferred.

Causes over which justices of the peace have jurisdiction what causes ART. 436. may be transferred to a justice of the peace at the county seat; or, in the shall be trans discretion of the judge, to a justice of the precinct in which the same can tice of the peace at the be most conveniently tried, as may appear by memorandum indorsed by county sea the foreman of the grand jury, on the indictment or otherwise; but if it appear to the judge that the offense has been committed in any incorporated town or city, the cause shall be transferred to a justice in said town or city, if there be one therein; and any justice to whom any such cause may be transferred shall have jurisdiction to try the same.

ART. 437. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the district court, with- Duty of clerk out delay, to deliver the indictments in all cases transferred, together court when with all the papers relating to each case, to the proper court or justice of case is trans-the peace, as directed in the order of transfer, and he shall accompany *Ib* §2. each case with a certified copy of all the proceedings taken therein in the district court, and also with a bill of the costs that have accrued therein in the district court, and the said costs shall be collected in the court in which said cause is tried in the same manner as other costs are collected in criminal cases.

ART. 438. All cases transferred from the district court shall be entered Proceedings of court to which they are transferred, and all process have thereon shall be issued, and the defendants tried in the same manner as if the causes had originated in the court to which they have been transferred.

ART. 439. When a cause has been improvidently transferred to a court Cause improvidently trans-which has no jurisdiction of the same, the court to which it has been trans-ferred shall be ferred shall order it to be re-transferred to the proper court, and the same proceedings shall be had as in the case of the original transfer. In such case the defendant and the witnesses shall be held bound to appear before the court to which the case has been re-transferred, the same as they were bound to appear before the court so transferring the same.

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ARTICLE 440. Whenever a defendant is bound by recognizance or bail- Bail forfeited, bond to appear at any term of a court, and fails to appear on the day set apart for taking up the criminal docket, or any subsequent day when his case comes up for trial, a forfeiture of his recognizance or bail-bond shall be taken.

ART. 441. Recognizances and bail-bonds are forfeited in the following Manner of tak-manner: The name of the defendant shall be called distinctly at the door C.C.P. 408. of the court-house, and if the defendant do not appear within a reasonable time after such call is made, judgment shall be entered that the State of Texas recover of the defendant the amount of money in which he is bound, and of his sureties the amount of money in which they are respectively bound, which judgment shall state that the same will be made final unless good cause be shown at the next term of the court why the defendant did not appear.

After the adjournment of the court at which the proceed- Citation to ART. 442. ings set forth in the last two articles have been had, a citation shall issue Sureties. C.C.P. 409. from the court notifying the sureties of the defendant that the recognizance or bond has been forfeited, and requiring them to appear at the next term of the court and show cause why the same should not be made final; but it shall not be necessary to give notice to the defendant.

A citation shall be sufficient if it contain the following Requisites of Авт. 443. requisites:

1. It shall run "In the name of the State of Texas."

2. It shall be directed to the sheriff or any constable of the county, where the surety resides or is to be found.

3. It shall state the name of the principal in such recognizance or bailbond and the names of his sureties.

4. It shall state the date of such recognizance or bail-bond and the offense with which the principal is charged.

5. It shall state that such recognizance or bail-bond has been declared forfeited, naming the court before which the forfeiture was taken, the time when taken, and the amount for which it was taken against each party thereto.

6. It shall notify the surety to appear at the next term of the court and show cause why the forfeiture should not be made final.

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Sureties shall be entitled to notice by service of citation, ART. 444. the length of time and in the manner required in civil actions, and the officer executing the citation shall return the same in the manner provided for the return of citations in civil actions.

Where the surety is a non-resident of the state, or where ART. 445. he is a transient person, or where his residence is unknown, the district or county attorney may, upon application in writing to the court or clerk, stating the facts, obtain a citation to be served by publication, and the same shall be served by publication and returned in the same manner as in like cases in civil actions.

When service of citation is made by publication the county ART. 446. in which the forfeiture has been taken shall pay the costs of such publication, and the amount shall be taxed as costs in the case.

Service of a certified copy of the citation upon any absent ART. 447. or non-resident surety may be made outside of the limits of this state by (Act March 15, 1875, p. 170, §2) of such person competent to make oath of the fact, and the affidavit in writing of such person, stating the facts of such service, shall be a sufficient return.

ART. 448. When a surety is dead at the time the forfeiture is taken the forfeiture shall nevertheless be valid. But the final judgment shall not be rendered where a surety has died, either before or after the forfeiture has been taken, unless his executor, administrator or heirs, as the case may be, have been cited to appear and show cause why the judgment should not be made final, in the same manner as provided in the case of the surety.

When a forfeiture has been declared upon a recognizance ART. 449. or bail-bond the court or clerk shall docket the case upon the civil docket, in the name of the State of Texas, as plaintiff, and the principal and his sureties as defendants, and the proceedings had therein shall be governed by the same rules governing other civil actions.

At the next term of the court after forfeiture of the recog-ART. 450. nizance or bond, if the sureties have been duly notified, or at the first term of the court after the service of such notice, the sureties may answer in writing, and show cause why the defendant did not appear, which answer may be filed within the time limited for answering in other civil actions.

The recognizance or bail-bond, the judgment declaring the ART. 451. forfeiture, the citation and the return thereupon, shall not be set aside because of any defect of form; but such defect of form may at any time be amended under the direction of the court.

The following causes, and no other, will exonerate the ART. 452. defendant and his sureties from liability upon the forfeiture taken:

1. That the recognizance or bail-bond is, for any cause, not a valid and binding undertaking in law; but if it be valid and binding as to the principal, and one or more of his sureties, they shall not be exonerated from liability because of it being invalid and not binding as to another surety If it be invalid and not binding as to the principal each of or sureties. the sureties shall be exonerated from liability. If it be valid and binding as to the principal, but not so as to the sureties, the principal shall not be exonerated but the sureties shall be.

2. The death of the principal before the forfeiture was taken.

3. The sickness of the principal, or some uncontrollable circumstance which prevented his appearance at court, and it must in every such case be shown that his failure to appear arose from no fault on his part. The causes mentioned in this subdivision shall not be deemed sufficient to exonerate the principal and his sureties, unless such principal appear before final judgment on the recognizance or bail-bond to answer the accusation against him, or show sufficient cause for not so appearing.

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4. Failure to present an indictment or information at the first term of the court, which may be held after the principal has been admitted to bail, in case where the party was bound over before indictment or information, and the prosecution has not been continued by order of the court as provided in article 592.

ART. 453. When, upon a trial of the issue presented by the answers of Judgment the sureties, no sufficient cause is shown for the failure of the principal to fina appear, the judgment shall be made final against him and his sureties for the amount in which they are respectively bound, and the same shall be collected by execution as in civil actions. Separate executions shall issue against each party for the amount adjudged against him, and the costs be equally divided between the sureties, if there be more than one.

ART. 454. When the sureties have been duly cited and fail to answer, Judgment final and the principal also fails to answer within the time limited for answer- by def ing in other civil actions, the court shall render judgment final by default as in other civil actions.

ART. 455. If, before final judgment is entered against the bail, the The court may principal appear or be arrested and lodged in the jail of the proper county, remit, when. C.C.P. 415. the court may, at its discretion, remit the whole or part of the sum specified in the bond or recognizance.

ART. 456. When the principal appears before the entry of final judg- Forfeiture ment, and sufficient cause is shown for his failure to appear before the aside, when, forfeiture taken, and a trial is had of the criminal actions pending against etc. C.O.P. 416 him, he shall be entitled to have the forfeiture set aside and the criminal action against him shall stand for trial; but the state shall not be forced to try the same until reasonable time has been allowed to prepare for trial, and the state shall, in such case, be entitled to a continuance of the cause.

II. OF THE CAPIAS.

ART. 457. A "capias" is a writ issued by the court or clerk, and directed Definition of a "To any sheriff of the State of Texas," commanding him to arrest a person accused of an offense and bring him before that court forthwith, or on a day or at a term stated in the writ.

ART. 458. A capias shall be held sufficient if it have the following Its requisites. C.C.P. 421. requisites:

1. That it run in the name of "The State of Texas."

2. That it name the person whose arrest is ordered, or, if unknown, describe him.

3. That it specify the offense of which the defendant is accused, and it appear thereby that he is accused of some offense against the penal law of the state.

4. That it name the court to which it is returnable and the time when returnable.

5. That it be dated and attested officially by the court or clerk issuing the same.

ART. 459. A capias shall be immediately issued by the clerk of the Capias shall is district court upon each indictment for felony presented, and shall be all felony delivered by the clerk or forwarded by mail to the sheriff of the county ^{cases.} where the defendant resides or is to be found.

ART. 460. In cases of misdemeanor the capias shall be issued from the In misdemeancourt having jurisdiction of the same, and if the defendant be in custody or cases. or under bail a capias need not be issued for him.

ART. 461. In all cases when a forfeiture is declared upon a recogni- Capias in case zance or bail-bond, a capias shall be immediately issued for the arrrst of of bail. the defendant, and when arrested he shall be required to enter into a new recognizance or bail-bond, unless the forfeiture taken has been set aside under the third subdivision of article 452, in which case the defendant and his sureties shall remain bound under his present recognizance or bail bond.

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Bail-bond and capias must be returned, etc. C.C.P. 422.

Defendant placed in jail in another

When a defendant who has been arrested for a felony under ART. 462. a capias has previously given bail to answer said charge, his sureties shall be released by such arrest, and he shall be required to give new bail.

ART. 463. A capias shall not lose its force or virtue if not executed and returned at the time fixed in the writ, but may be executed at any time afterward and return made, and all proceedings under such capias shall be as valid as if the same had been executed and returned within the time specified in the writ.

When the capias is not returned at the time fixed in the ART. 464. writ, the officer holding the same shall notify the court from whence it issued, in writing, of his reasons for retaining it.

Capiases for a defendant may be issued to as many counties ART. 465. as the district or county attorney may direct.

In cases of arrest for felony in the county where the prose-ART. 466. cution is pending, during a term of the court, the sheriff or officer making the arrest can not take bail, but must forthwith bring the defendant before the court, that he may be dealt with according to law.

ART. 467. In cases of arrest for felony less than capital, made during vacation, or made in another county than the one in which the prosecution is pending, the sheriff may take bail. In such cases the amount of the bail shall be the same as is indorsed upon the capias, and if no amount be indorsed upon the capias, the sheriff shall require a reasonable amount of bail.

ART. 468. In all felony cases which are bailable, the district court shall, before adjourning, fix the amount of the bail to be required in each case, and the same shall be entered upon the minutes, and in issuing the capias the clerk shall indorse thereon the amount of bail required; but in case of neglect to comply with either of the requirements of this article, the arrest of the defendant, and the bail-bond taken by the sheriff, shall be as legal and valid as if there had been no such omission.

A capias may be executed by any constable or other peace ART. 469. officer, but in cases of felony the defendant must be delivered forthwith to the sheriff of the county where the arrest is made, together with the writ under which he was taken, to be dealt with according to law.

ART. 470. In cases of misdemeanor, any officer making an arrest under a capias may take bail of the defendant, either in term time or in vacation.

Where an arrest is made under a capias in a capital case ART. 471. the sheriff shall confine the defendant in jail, and the capias shall, for that purpose, be a sufficient warrant of commitment. This article is applicable when the arrest is made in the county where the prosecution is pending.

In every capital case where a defendant is arrested under a ART. 472. capias in a county other than that in which the prosecution is pending, it is the duty of the sheriff who arrests, or to whom the defendant is delivered by some other peace officer, to convey him forthwith to the county from which the capias issued and deliver him to the sheriff of such county, and upon failure to do so such sheriff shall be guilty of an offense.

When an arrest has been made and a bail-bond taken, the ART. 473. bail-bond, together with the capias, shall be returned forthwith through the mail or by other safe conveyance to the proper court.

ART. 474. If a defendant be placed in jail out of the county of the prosecution, on a charge of felony, he shall be discharged from custody if not applied for and taken by the sheriff of the proper county before the shall be dis-charged, when, end of sixty days from the day of his commitment. If the defendant be C.C.P. 434. placed in juil on a charge of misdemeanor, he shall be discharged from placed in jail on a charge of misdemeanor, he shall be discharged from custody if not applied for and taken by the sheriff of the proper county before the end of thirty days from the day of his commitment.

ART. 475. The preceding article shall not apply to cases where the Preceding article shall not ART. 475. The preceding article shall her approximately approximately apply, where, defendant has been placed in jail out of the country of the prosecution apply, where, C.P. 434. under the provisions of this Code, for the want of a sufficient or safe jail

in the county of the prosecution. ART. 476. The return of the capias shall be made to the court from Beturn of the which it issued, and if it has been executed the return shall state what capias and isposition has been made of the defendant. If it has not been executed, show. the cause of the failure to execute the same shall be fully stated, and if the defendant has not been found the return shall further show what efforts have been made by the officer to find him, and what information, if any, he has obtained as to the defendant's whereabouts.

OF WITNESSES AND THE MANNER OF ENFORCING THEIR ATTENDANCE. III.

ART, 477. A "subpœna" is a writ issued to the sheriff or other proper Definition of subpœna." C.C.P. 438. officer commanding him to summon a person therein named to appear at a certain term of the court, or on a certain day, to testify in a criminal action, or upon any proceeding before an examining court, coroner's inquest, the grand jury, or before a judge hearing an application under habeas corpus, or in any other case in which the testimony of a witness may be required under the provisions of this Code. The writ shall be dated and signed officially by the court or clerk issuing the same, but need not be under seal.

ART. 478. A subpœna may contain the names of any number of wit- What it may nesses residing in the same county to which it is issued, and if a witness have in his possession any instrument in writing or other thing desired as evidence, the subpœna may specify such evidence and direct that the witness bring the same with him and produce it in court.

A subpœna is served by reading the same in the hearing of Service and re-turn of a sub-ART. 479. The officer having the subpœna shall make due return pœna, the witness. thereof, showing the time and manner of service if served, and if not served he shall show in his return the cause of his failure to serve it, and if the witness could not be found he shall state the diligence he has used to find him, and what information he has, if any, as to the whereabouts of the witness.

ART. 480. If a witness refuse to obey a subpoent he may be fined at Penalties for the discretion of the court, as follows: In a capital case, not exceeding obey a subfive hundred dollars; in a case of felony less than capital, not exceeding pena. C.C.P. 444-45. two hundred dollars; in a case of misdemeanor, not exceeding one hundred dollars.

ART. 481. Before a fine is entered against a witness for disobedience Before fine is entered against to a subpæna, it must be made to appear to the court by the oath of the witness it must defendant or some other credible person, or the statement of the attorney appear, etc. C.C.P. 446, representing the state, that the testimony of such witness is believed to be material either to the prosecution or defense.

ART. 482. It shall be understood that a witness refuses to obey a What constisubpœna-

1. If he is not in attendance on the court on the day set apart for subpoena. C.C.P. 441 taking up the criminal docket or any day subsequent thereto, and before the final disposition or continuance of the particular case in which he is a witness.

2. If he is not in attendance at any other time named in a writ.

3. If he refuses without legal cause to produce evidence in his posses-

3. If he retures without legal cause to produce characteristics is some which he has been summoned to bring with him and produce. ART. 483. When a fine is entered against a witness for a failure to Fine against witness, con-appear and testify, the judgment shall be conditional and a citation shall ditional, etc. CC.P. 447. issue to him to show cause why the same should not be made final; and such citation shall be served in the manner and for the length of time prescribed for citations in other civil actions.

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ART. 484. A witness cited to show cause as provided in the precedwhen and how. ing article, may do so in writing or verbally at any time before judgment C.C.P. 448. final is entered against him, but if he fail to show cause within the time final is entered against him, but if he fail to show cause within the time limited for answering in civil actions, a judgment final by default shall be entered against him.

It shall be in the discretion of the court to judge of the Árt. 485. sufficiency of an excuse rendered by a witness, and upon the hearing of the case the court shall render final judgment against the witness for the whole or any part of the fine, or shall remit the fine altogether, as to the court may appear proper and right.

When a fine has been entered against a witness but no trial ART. 486. of the cause takes place, and such witness afterward appears and testifies upon the trial thereof, it shall be discretionary with the judge, though no good excuse be rendered, to reduce the fine or remit it altogether; but the witness in such case shall, nevertheless, be adjudged to pay all the costs accruing in the proceeding against him by reason of his failure to attend.

An "attachment" is a writ issued by a clerk of a court, or **A**RT. 487. by any magistrate, or by the foreman of a grand jury, in any criminal action or proceeding authorized by law, commanding some peace officer to take the body of a witness and bring him before such court, magistrate or grand jury on a day named, or forthwith, to testify in behalf of the state or of the defendant, as the case may be. It shall be dated and signed officially by the officer issuing it, and when issued by a clerk of a court, shall be authenticated by his official seal.

When a witness who resides in the county of the prosecu-ART. 488. tion has been duly served with a subpœna to appear and testify in any criminal action or proceeding fails to so appear, the state or the defendant shall be entitled to have an attachment issued forthwith for such witness.

Where a witness resides out of the county in which the ART. 489. prosecution is pending, the defendant shall be entitled on application, either in term time or in vacation, to the proper clerk or magistrate, to have an attachment issued to compel the attendance of such witness. Such application shall be in writing and under oath, shall state the name of the witness and the county of his residence, and that his testimony is material to the defense. The state shall also be entitled to attachments under the provisions of this article upon the written application of the attorney representing the state, which application shall state the name and residence of the witness and that his testimony is believed to be material for the state. In the cases provided for in this article it is not required that there should be a disobedience of a subpœna by the witness before the issuance of the attachment for him, but the attachment may be issued as herein provided in the first instance.

ART. 490. When a witness has given a recognizance or bail-bond to appear and testify and has forfeited the same, an attachment may issue forthwith for such witness to the county where he resides or where he may be found, unless the party whose witness he is shall waive the issuance of the same.

ART. 491. It is the duty of the officer receiving the attachment to execute the same by arresting the body of the witness named therein, and he shall make due return of the writ to the court, magistrate or foreman of the grand jury from which it issued, stating in such return the time and manner of its execution and the disposition that has been made of the witness. In case the writ has not been executed the officer shall state fully in his return the cause of his failure to execute it, and if the witness has not been found, the return shall show the diligence that has been used to find him, and shall state such information as the officer has, if any, as to the whereabouts of the witness.

ART. 492. When an attachment is made returnable forthwith it shall when writ is be the duty of the officer executing the same to take the witness immediately before the court, magistrate or foreman of the grand jury from duty of officer, whence the writ issued unloss such witness give heil for him in the c.C.P. 437a. whence the writ issued, unless such witness give bail for his immediate appearance in obedience to said writ in accordance with law.

ART. 493. If the attachment be not returnable forthwith, but at some when writ is future day, the officer executing the same shall have authority to take a nor returnable forthwith. bail-bond of such witness for his appearance in accordance with the requirements of such writ.

ART. 494. The bail-bond of a witness shall be held sufficient if it have Bail-bond of the following requisites:

1. That it be made payable to the State of Texas.

2. That it state the amount in which the witness and his sureties are bound.

3. That it be conditioned for the appearance of the witness at the time and before the court, magistrate or grand jury named in the writ.

4. That it be signed by the witness or his sureties by writing their names or making their marks thereto.

ART. 495. The court or magistrate issuing the attachment may direct Amount of bail to be required of the witness, in which case the of witness. officer executing the writ shall require the amount specified; but in case no amount of bail is specified in the writ, the officer executing the same shall require what he deems to be a reasonable amount of bail.

When the officer executing the writ takes a bail-bond of a Good and suffi-Авт. 496. witness he shall require that the security be good and sufficient for the cient security amount of the bond as in other cases of bail, and shall approve the bond quired, etc. officially and return it with the writ to the court or magistrate from whence the writ issued.

ART. 497. In case the witness fails to give bond, it shall be the duty Duty of officer of the officer executing the writ to keep him in custody, and have him fails to give before the court or magistrate at the time and place named in the writ.

ART. 498. When the writ is executed in a county other than the one When writ is in which the witness is required to appear, and the witness fails to give other county. bond, it shall be the duty of the sheriff of the county in which such writ etc., duty of is executed to keep the witness in his custody, and forthwith to deliver him, Officer. C.C.P. 437a. together with such writ, to the sheriff of the county from whence the writ issued, who shall keep the witness in custody as provided in the preceding article.

ART. 499. A witness, who is in custody for failing to give bond, shall witness shall be released be at once released upon giving the bond required.

ART. 500. Witnesses on behalf of the state or defendant may, at the Either party request of either party, be required to enter into recognizance in an may have witnesses recogamount to be fixed by the court to appear and testify in a criminal action; nized, etc. but if it shall appear to the court that any witness is unable to give security upon such recognizance, he shall be recognized without security.

When it appears to the satisfaction of the court that the Personal recog-ART. 501. personal recognizance of the witness will insure his attendance, no security need be required of him; but no bail shall be taken by any officer taken, when. without security.

ART. 502. The recognizance or bail-bond of a witness may be enforced Recognizance against him and his sureties in the manner pointed out in this Code for witness may be enforcing the recognizance or bail-bond of a defendant in a criminal enforced, how. C.C.P. 437b. action.

ART. 503. The sureties of a witness have no right in any case to dis- sureties can charge themselves by the surrender of such witness after the forfeiture of themselves aftheir recognizance or bond. ure

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IV. SERVICE OF A COPY OF THE INDICTMENT.

ART. 504. In every case of felony, when the accused is in custody, or as soon as he may be arrested, it shall be the duty of the clerk of the court where an indictment has been presented immediately to make out a certified copy of the same and deliver such copy to the sheriff, together with a writ directed to such sheriff commanding him forthwith to deliver such certified copy to the defendant.

ART. 505. Upon receipt of such writ and copy the sheriff shall immediately deliver such certified copy of indictment to the defendant, and return the writ to the clerk issuing the same, with his indorsement thereon, showing when and how the same was executed.

ART. 506. When the defendant in case of felony is on bail at the time the indictment is presented, it is not necessary to serve him with a copy; but the clerk shall deliver a copy of the same to the defendant or his counsel, when requested, at the earliest possible time.

ART. 507. In misdemeanors it shall not be necessary before trial to furnish the defendant with a copy of the indictment or information; but he or his counsel may demand a copy, which shall be given at as early a day as possible.

V. OF ARRAIGNMENT AND OF PROCEEDINGS WHERE NO ARRAIGNMENT IS NECESSARY.

ART. 508. There shall be no arraignment of a defendant except upon an indictment for a capital offense.

ART. 509. An arraignment takes place for the purpose of reading to the defendant the indictment against him, and hearing his plea thereto.

ART. 510. No arraignment shall take place until the expiration of at least two entire days after the day on which a copy of the indictment was served on the defendant, unless the right to such copy or to such delay be waived, or unless defendant is on bail.

ART. 511. When the defendant is brought into court for the purpose of being arraigned, if it appear that he has no counsel and is too poor to employ counsel the court shall appoint one or more practicing attorneys to defend him, and the counsel so appointed shall have at least one day to prepare for trial.

 $A_{\text{RT.}}$ 512. When the defendant is arraigned his name, as stated in the indictment, shall be distinctly called, and unless he suggest by himself or counsel that he is not indicted by his true name, it shall be taken that his name is truly set forth, and he shall not thereafter be allowed to deny the same by way of defense.

the same by way of defense. ART. 513. If the defendant or his counsel for him suggest that he bears some name different from that stated in the indictment, the same shall be noted upon the minutes of the court, the indictment corrected by inserting therein the name of the defendant as suggested by himself, the style of the cause changed so to give his true name, and the cause proceed as if the true name had been first recited in the indictment.

ART. 514. If the defendant allege that he is not indicted by his true name, and refuse to say what his real name is, the cause shall proceed as if the name stated in the indictment were true, and the defendant shall not be allowed to contradict the same by way of defense.

ART. 515. Where a defendant is described as a person whose name is unknown, he may have the indictment so corrected as to give therein his true name.

ART. 516. The name of the accused having been called, if no suggestion such as is spoken of in the four preceding articles be made, or, being made, is disposed of as before directed, the indictment shall be read and the defendant asked whether he is guilty or not, as therein charged.

Copy of indictment delivered to defendant in case of felony. C.C.P. 458.

Service of copy and return of writ.

When defendant is on bail in felony. C.C.P. 460.

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No arraignment of defendant, except, etc., C.C.P. 461.

An arraignment, for what purpose. C.C.P. 462.

No arraignment until two days after service of copy, etc. C.C.P. 463.

Court shall appoint counsel, when. C.C.P. 466.

C.C.P. 466.

Name as stated in indictment. C.C.P. 468.

Ii defendant suggest different name. C.C.P. 469.

It defendant refuse to give his real name. C.C.P. 470.

Where name is unknown, etc. C.C.P. 471.

Indictment read: C.C.P. 472.

ART. 517. If the defendant answer that he is not guilty, the same shall Plea of not be entered upon the minutes of the court; if he refuse to answer, the plea of the minutes of the court; if court, if court, c.C.P. 473.

ART. 518. If the defendant plead guilty he shall be admonished by the Plea of guilty urt of the consequences; and no such plea shall be received upless it not received, ART. 518. If the defendant plear guildy he chulk to be consequences; and no such plear shall be received unless it unless etc. C.C.P. 474. plainly appear that he is sane, and is uninfluenced by any consideration of fear by any persuasion or delusive hope of pardon prompting him to confess his guilt.

ART. 519. Where a defendant in a case of felony persists in pleading Jury shall he guilty, if the punishment of the offense is not absolutely fixed by law, and when. beyond the discretion of the jury to graduate in any manner, a jury shall be impaneled to assess the punishment, and evidence submitted to enable them to decide thereupon.

ART. 520. The same proceedings shall be had in all cases with respect same proceed to the name of the defendant and the correction of the indictment, as to name of deprovided with respect to the same in capital offenses.

> VI. OF THE PLEADINGS IN CRIMINAL ACTIONS.

The primary pleading in criminal action on the part of the Indictment or information. C.C.P. 481. ART. 521. state is the indictment or information.

ART. 522. On the part of the defendant the following are the only Defendant's pleadings:

1. The motion to set aside the indictment or information.

2. A special plea setting forth one or more facts as cause why the defendant ought not to be tried upon the indictment or information presented against him.

3. An exception to the indictment or information for some matter of form or substance.

4. A plea of guilty.

5. A plea of not guilty.

A motion to set aside an indictment or information shall be Motion to set aside indict-ART. 523. based on one or more of the following causes, and no other:

1. That it appears by the records of the court that the indictment was what causes of found by at least nine grand jurors, or that the information was not c.C.P. 483. not found by at least nine grand jurors, or that the information was not presented after oath made as required in article 431.

2. That some person not authorized by law was present when the grand jury were deliberating upon the accusation against the defendant, or were voting upon the same.

An issue of fact arising upon a motion to set aside an indict-mation shall be tried by the judge without a jury. C.C.P. 483. ART. 524. ment or information shall be tried by the judge without a jury.

ART. 525. The only special pleas which can be heard for the defend-tare: 1. That he has been before convicted, legally, in a court of competent C.C.P. 484. ant are:

1. That he has been before convicted, legally, in a court of competent jurisdiction, upon the same accusation, after having been tried upon the merits for the same offense.

2. That he has been before acquitted by a jury of the accusation against him, in a court of competent jurisdiction, whether the acquittal was regular or irregular.

ART. 526. Every special plea shall be verified by the affidavit of the Special plea defendant.

All issues of fact presented by a special plea shall be tried Issues of fact on special plea to be tried by ART. 527. by a jury.

There is no exception to the substance of an indictment or Exceptions to ART. 528. the substance information exceptof an indict-

1. That it does not appear from the face of the same that an offense ment. C.C.P. 487. against the law was committed by the defendant.

must be veri-

fied. C.C.P. 485. jury. C.C.P. 486.

C.C.P. 476.

fendant in all

cases. C.C.P. 479.

pleadings. C.C.P. 482.

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2. That it appears from the indictment or information that a prosecution for the offense is barred by a lapse of time, or that the offense was committed after the finding of the indictment.

3. That it contains matter which is a legal defense or bar to the prosecution.

4. That the indictment or information shows upon its face that the court trying the case has no jurisdiction thereof.

Exceptions to the form of an indictment or information may ART. 529. be taken for the following causes only:

1. That the indictment or information does not appear to have been presented in the proper court, as required by article 420 or 430.

2. The want of any other requisite or form prescribed by articles 420 and 430, except the want of the signature of the foreman of the grand jury, or in the case of an information of the signature of the attorney representing the state.

ART. 530. All motions to set aside an indictment or information, all special pleas and exceptions, shall be in writing.

In all cases the defendant shall be allowed two entire days, ART. 531. exclusive of all fractions of a day after his arrest, and during the term of the court, to file written pleadings.

ART. 532. In cases where the defendant is entitled to be served with a copy of the indictment, he shall be allowed the two days time mentioned in the preceding article to file written pleadings after such service.

The two preceding articles shall not be construed so as to ART. 533. any time, etc., the case is called for trial, except in case of change of venue. C.C.P. 496a. preclude the defendant from filing written pleadings at any time before

ART. 534. A plea of guilty, in a felony case, must be made in open court, and by the defendant in person, and in such case the proceedings shall be as provided in articles 518 and 519.

ART. 535. A plea of guilty, in a case of misdemeanor, may be made either by the defendant or his counsel in open court, and in such case the defendant or his counsel may waive a jury, and the punishment may be assessed by the court, either upon evidence or without it, at the discretion of the court.

ART. 536. The plea of not guilty may be made by the defendant, or by his counsel in open court, and in all cases where the defendant refuses to plead the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him by the court.

The plea of "not guilty" shall be construed to be a denial ART. 537. of every material allegation in the indictment or information. Under this plea evidence to establish the insanity of the defendant, and every fact whatever tending to acquit him of the accusation may be introduced, except such facts as are proper for a special plea under article 525.

ART. 538. The plea of "guilty" and the plea of "not guilty" may be made orally, and shall be entered of record on the minutes of the court.

VII. OF THE ARGUMENT AND DECISION OF MOTIONS, PLEAS AND EXCEPTIONS.

The motion to set aside an indictment or information, and ART. 539. all exceptions, shall be heard together, and shall be decided without delay.

The court, at its discretion, may hear and determine such ART. 540. pleadings as are named in the preceding article at any time before a trial upon the plea of not guilty has been entered upon, but not afterward.

ART. 541. The counsel of the defendant has the right to open and conclude the argument upon all pleadings of the defendant presented for the decision of the judge.

Exceptions to the form of an indictment. C.C.P. 488.

Motions, etc., shall be in writing. C.C.P. 489.

Two days al-lowed for filing written pleadings. C. C. P. 491, 494, 495, 496.

When defend-ant is entitled to service of copy of indictment, etc. C.C.P. 496.

Defendantmay file written pleadings at

Plea of guilty, how made in felony case.

Pleaof guilty in misdemeanor.

Plea of not guilty, how made. C.C.P. 480.

Plea of not guilty, how construed. C.C.P. 497.

Pleas of guilty and not guilty may be oral, etc.

Motions, etc., to be heard and decided without delay. C.C.P. 502.

Same subject.

Defendantmay open and con-clude argu-ment on his pleading.

ART. 542. Such special pleas as set forth matter of fact proper to be special pleas tried by a jury, shall be submitted and tried with the plea of "not guilty." matter of face

ART. 543. Where the matters involved in any written pleading depend Process to pro in whole or in part upon testimony, either written or verbal, and not alto-gether upon the record of the court, every process known to the law may c.C.P. 501. be obtained, either on behalf of the state or of the defendant, for the purpose of procuring such testimony; but there shall be no delay on account of the want of the testimony, unless it be shown to the satisfaction of the court that all the means given by law have been used to procure the same.

ART. 544. Where the motion to set aside an indictment or information, where motion or an exception to the same is sustained, the defendant, in a case of mis- to set aside, demeanor, shall be discharged, but may be again prosecuted within the ed, in misde-time allowed by law time allowed by law.

If the motion to set aside, or the exception to the indict- In cases of ART. 545. ment in cases of felony be sustained, the defendant shall not therefore be discharged, but may be immediately recommitted by order of the court, upon motion of the attorney representing the state, or without motion, and proceedings may afterward be had against him as if no prosecution had ever been commenced.

ART. 546. Where, after the motion or exception is sustained, it is shall be fully made known to the court, by sufficient testimony, that the offense of discharged, when which the defendant is accused will be barred by limitation before another indictment can be preferred, he shall in every case be fully discharged.

If an exception to an indictment or information is taken when excep-ART. 547. and sustained upon the ground that there is no offense against the law doffense is charged therein, the defendant shall be discharged, unless an affidavit be charged. C.C.P. 507. filed accusing him of the commission of an offense punishable by law.

In case the motion to set aside the indictment, or the when defend y the antis held by ART. 548. ART, 540. In case the motion to be data the first state of the second state of the sec motions or exceptions the defendant shall be discharged, unless in the ten days, un-meanwhile complaint under oath has been made before a magistrate less, etc. charging him with an offense against the law, or unless another indictment has been presented against him for such offense.

When the exception to an indictment or information is when excep-ART. 549. merely on account of form, the same shall be amended, if decided to be tion is on ac-defective and the cause proceed upon such amended indictment or informadefective, and the cause proceed upon such amended indictment or information.

ART. 550. Any matter of form in an indictment or information may Amendment of be amended at any time before an announcement of ready for trial upon information. the merits, by both parties, but not afterward. No matter of substance can be amended.

ART. 551. All amendments of an indictment or information shall be Amendments made with the leave of the court and under its direction.

ART. 552. When a special plea is filed by the defendant, the state State may exmay except to its inefficiency for substantial defects, and if the exception cept to special plea, etc. be sustained the plea may be amended. If the plea be not excepted to C.C.P. 509-10. it shall be considered that issue has been taken upon the same.

ART. 553. A former judgment of acquittal or conviction in a court of Former acquit-competent jurisdiction shall be a bar to any further prosecution for the tion, when a same offense, but shall not bar a prosecution for any higher grade of hot a bar, etc. offense, over which said court had not jurisdiction, unless such trial and judgment were had upon indictment or information, in which case the prosecution shall be barred for all grades of the offense.

ART. 554. Judgment shall in no case be given against the defendant Plea of not where his motion, exception or plea is overruled; but he shall in all cases where motion, be allowed to plead not guilty. If he refuses to plead it shall be consid-ered as if the plea were offered and be noted accordingly. ered as if the plea were offered and be noted accordingly.

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VII. OF CONTINUANCE.

Criminal actions are considered as continued by operation ART. 555. by operation of law, when. C.C.P. 513. of law when there is not sufficient time for trial at any particular term of a court, or where the defendant has not been arrested.

ART. 556. A criminal action may be continued by consent of the parties thereto, in open court, at any time.

ART. 557. A criminal action may be continued on the written application of the state, or of the defendant, upon sufficient cause shown, which cause shall be distinctly and fully set forth in the application.

First applica-tion by the state for a con. for a continuance, if the same be for the want of a witness, to state-ART. 558. It shall be sufficient upon the first application by the state

1. The name of the witness and his residence, if known, or that his residence is unknown.

2. The diligence which has been used to procure his attendance; and it shall not be considered sufficient diligence to have caused to be issued, or to have applied for a subpœna, in cases where the law authorized the issuance of an attachment.

3. That the testimony of the witness is believed by the applicant to be material for the state.

On any subsequent application for a continuance by the ART. 559. state, for the want of a witness, the application, in addition to the requirements in the preceding article, must show-

1. The facts which the applicant expects to establish by the witness, and it must appear to the court that they are material.

2. That the applicant expects to be able to procure the attendance of the witness at the next term of the court.

3. That the testimony can not be procured from any other source during the present term of the court.

ART. 560. In the first application by the defendant for a continuance, it shall be necessary, if the same be on account of the absence of a witness, to state under oath— 1. The name of the witness and his residence if known, or that his

residence is not known.

2. The diligence which has been used to procure his attendance, and it shall not be considered sufficient diligence, to have caused to be issued, or to have applied for a subpœna, in cases where the law authorizes the issuance of an attachment.

3. The facts which are expected to be proved by the witness, and it must appear to the court that they are material.

4. That the witness is not absent by the procurement or consent of the defendant.

5. That the application is not made for delay.

6. That there is no reasonable expectation that the attendance of the witness can be secured during the present term of the court by a postponement of the trial to some future day of said term; and the truth of the first, or any subsequent application, as well as the merit of the ground set forth therein and its sufficiency, shall be addressed to the sound discretion of the court called to pass upon the same, and shall not be granted as a matter of right; *provided*, that should an application for a continuance be overruled, and the defendant convicted, if it appear upon the trial that the evidence of the witness or witnesses, named in the application, was of a material character, and that the facts set forth in said application were probably true, a new trial should be granted, and the cause continued for the term, or postponed to a future day of the same term.

Subsequent application by defendant. C.C.P. 519.

Subsequent applications for continuance on the part of the ART. 561. defendant, shall, in addition to the requisites in the preceding article, state also—

Subsequent application by the state. C.C.P. 516.

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By consent of parties.

For sufficient cause shown. C.C.P. 514-17-20.

tinuance. C.C.P. 515.

First applica-tion by defend-

ant for a continuance. C.C.P. 518. (Acts 1879, ch. 82, p. 94.)

1. That the testimony can not be procured from any other source known to the defendant.

2. That the defendant has reasonable expectation of procuring the same at the next term of the court.

ART. 562. All applications for continuance on the part of the defend-that must be sworn to by himself. ant must be sworn to by himself.

ART. 563. It shall not be necessary to file any written motion for con- Written tinuance—the motion based upon the written statement may be made motion not ne-cessary. C.O.P. 523. orally.

ART. 564. Any material fact stated, affecting diligence, in an application Statements in be in writing, and supported by the adverse party. The denial shall application filed as soon as practicable after the filing of the application at the state of the application at the state of the application a tinuance.

under oath, etc. (Hyde v. state, 16 Tex. R., 445.) (Act to adopt and establish P. C. & C. of C. P., passed Feb. 21, 1879.)

ART. 565. When a denial is filed, as provided in the preceding article, Proceedings when denial the issue shall be tried by the judge, and he shall hear testimony by is filed. affidavits, and grant or refuse the continuance according to the law and the facts of the case.

ART. 566. No argument shall be heard on an application for a con- No argument tinuance unless requested by the judge, and when argument is heard the heard, unless, applicant shall have the right to open and conclude the same.

ART. 567. If a defendant in a capital case demand a trial, and it appear Defendant in that more than one continuance has been granted to the state, and that titled to bail. the defendant has not before applied for a continuance, he shall be entitled when, etc. C.C.P. 524. to be admitted to bail, and unless it be made to appear to the satisfaction of the court that a material witness of the state had been prevented from attendance by the procurement of the defendant or some person acting in his behalf.

ART. 568. A continuance may be granted on the application of the Continuance state or defendant after the trial has commenced, when it is made to anter the menced appear to the satisfaction of the court that by some unexpected occurrence since the trial commenced, which no reasonable diligence could have anticipated, the applicant is so taken by surprise that a fair trial can not be had, or the trial may be postponed to a subsequent day of the term.

> IX. DISQUALIFICATION OF THE JUDGE.

IX. DISQUALIFICATION OF THE JUDGE. ART. 569. No judge or justice of the peace shall sit in any case where Causes which he may be the party injured, or where he has been of counsel for the judge, etc. state or the accused, or where the accused or the party injured may be (Const., art. 5, connected with him by consanguinity or affinity within the third degree. (Davis v. State, -Tex. R, -)

ART. 570. If a judge of the district court shall be disqualified from When judge of sitting in any criminal action pending in his court, no change of venue is disqualified ART. 570. If a judge of the district court shall be disqualified from shall be made necessary thereby; but the parties, or their counsel, shall have the right to select and agree upon an attorney of the court to preside as special judge in the trial thereof.

special judge in the trial thereof. ART. 571. Should the parties not agree upon an attorney to try the should the agree, etc. case on or before the day set for the trial of the criminal docket, the district judge shall forthwith certify the facts to the governor, who shall at once appoint some practicing attorney, learned in the law, to try such case.

ART. 572. The attorney agreed upon or appointed, as provided in the special judge two preceding articles, shall, before he enters upon his duties as special shall take oath of office, etc. judge, take the oath of office required by the constitution of the state, and his selection by the parties, or appointment by the governor, as the case may be; and the fact that the oath of office was administered to him shall be entered upon the minutes of the court as a part of the record of

after trial com-menced, when. C.C.P. 526.

parties may s lect a special judge. (Act Aug. 15, 1876, p. 141.)
the cause, and he shall have all the power and authority of the district judge that may be necessary to enable him to conduct, try, determine and finally dispose of such case.

ART. 573. Any case pending in the county court, which the county judge may be disqualified to try, shall be transferred to the district court of the same county.

ART. 574. If a justice of the peace shall be disqualified from sitting in any criminal action pending before him, he shall transfer the same to the nearest justice of the peace of the county, who is not disqualified, to try it.

ART. 575. In the cases provided for in the two preceding articles the order of transfer shall state the cause of the transfer, and name the court to which the transfer is made, and the time and place, when and where, the parties and witnesses shall appear before such court, and the rules governing the transfer of cases from the district to inferior courts shall govern in the transfer of cases under the two preceding articles.

X. CHANGE OF VENUE.

ART. 576. Whenever, in any case of felony, the district judge presiding shall be satisfied that a trial, alike fair and impartial to the accused and to the state, can not from any cause, be had in the county in which the case is pending, he may upon his own motion order a change of venue to any county in his own or in an adjoining district, stating in his order the grounds for such change of venue.

ART. 577. Whenever the district or county attorney shall represent in writing to the district court before which any felony case is pending, that by reason of existing combinations or influences in favor of the accused, or on account of the lawless condition of affairs in the county, a fair and impartial trial as between the accused and the state can not be safely and speedily had, or whenever he shall represent that the life of the prisoner, or of any of the witnesses, would be jeoparded by a trial in the county in which the case is pending, the judge shall hear proof in relation thereto, and if satisfied that such representation is well founded, and that the ends of public justice will be subserved thereby, he shall order a change of venue to any county in his own or in an adjoining district.

ART. 578. A change of venue may be granted on the written application of the defendant, supported by his own affidavit and the affidavit of at least two credible persons, residents of the county where the prosecution is instituted, for either of the following causes, the truth and sufficiency of which the court shall determine:

1. That there exists in the county where the prosecution is commenced so great a prejudice against him that he can not obtain a fair and impartial trial.

2. That there is a dangerous combination against him instigated by influential persons, by reason of which he can not expect a fair trial.

ART. 579. When an unsuccessful effort has been once made in any county to procure a jury for the trial of a felony, and all reasonable means have been used, if it be made to appear to the court, by the written affidavit of the attorney for the state or any other credible person, that no jury can probably be had in that county, the court may order a change of venue and cause the reasons therefor to be placed upon the minutes of the proceedings.

ART. 580. An application for a change of venue may be heard and determined before either party has announced ready for trial, but in all cases before a change of venue is ordered, all motions to set aside the indictment, and all special pleas and exceptions which are to be determined by the judge, and which have been filed, shall be disposed of by the court, and if overruled the plea of not guilty entered.

District judge may order change of venue on his own motion, when, etc. (Act Aug. 21, 1876, p. 274.)

State may have change of venue, when, etc. (Act Aug. 21, 1876, p. 274.)

Change of venue when granted on application of defendant. C.C.P. 527.

Where jury can not be procured for trial of felony. C.C.P. 528.

Application may be made before announcing ready for trial, etc. C.C.P. 529.

When judge of

county court is disqualified, etc. (Const., art. 5, §16.)

When a justice of the peace is disqualified.

What the order

shall state, etc.

of transfer

ART. 581. Upon the grant of a change of venue the criminal cause Venue changed shall be removed to some adjoining county, the court-house of which is county, unless, nearest to the court-house of the county where the prosecution is pending, etc. C.P. 530. unless it be made to appear to the satisfaction of the court that such nearest county is subject to some objection sufficient to authorize a change of venue in the first instance.

ART. 582. If it be shown in the application for a change of venue, or Where adjoinotherwise, that all the counties adjoining that in which the prosecution is are all subject pending, are subject to some valid objection, the cause may be removed to objection, to such county as the court may think proper.

ART. 583. The credibility of the persons making and the fidavit venue may be of venue, or their means of knowledge, may be attacked by the affidavit venue may be of a credible person, and the issue, thus formed, shall be tried and deter-box. The credibility of the persons making affidavit for change Application for ART. 583. mined by the judge, and the application granted or refused, as the law and facts shall warrant.

ART. 584. The order of the judge granting or refusing a change of Order of the judge shall not venue shall not be revised upon appeal, unless the facts upon which the be revised on same was based are presented in a bill of exceptions, prepared, signed, appeal, unless, approved and filed at the term of the court at which such order was made.

When an order for a change of venue has been made, the Clerk's duties Art. 585. clerk of the court where the prosecution is pending shall make out a true change of transcript of all the orders made in the cause, and certify thereto under venue. his official seal, and shall transmit the same, together with all the original papers in the case, to the clerk of the court to which the venue has been changed.

The clerk shall also, in a change of venue before transmit-C.C.P. 533. ART. 586. ting the original papers, make a correct copy of the same, certifying thereto under his official seal, and retain such copy in his office, to be used in case the originals or any of them be lost.

ART. 587. When a change of venue is ordered and the defendant is If defendant on bail, he shall be required to enter into recognizance forthwith, condi-tioned for his appearance before the proper court at the next succeeding C.C.P. 584. tioned for his appearance before the proper court at the next succeeding term thereof; or if the court of the county to which the cause is taken be then in session, he shall be recognized to appear before said court on a day fixed, and from day to day, and term to term thereafter, until discharged.

ART. 588. If the defendant fail to give recognizance, as required in the two succeeding articles.

When the venue is changed in any criminal action, if the If defendant in custody, an order shall be made for his removal to the C.C.P. 535. ART. 589. defendant be in custody, an order shall be made for his removal to the proper county, and his delivery to the sheriff thereof before the next succeeding term of the district court of the county to which the case is to be taken, and he shall be removed by the sheriff accordingly, and delivered as directed in the order.

ART. 590. If the court of the county to which the case is removed be if the court be then in session, the defendant shall be removed forthwith and delivered in session, etc. to the sheriff of such county.

ART. 591. When the venue in a criminal action has been changed, it Witnesses need shall not be necessary to have the witnesses therein again subponed, summoned, attached or recognized, but all the witnesses who have been subported, etc. attached or recognized to appear and testify in the cause shall be held bound to appear before the court to which the cause has been transferred in the same manner as if there had been no such transfer.

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XI. OF DISMISSING PROSECUTIONS.

ART. 592. When a defendant has been detained in custody, or held to bail for his appearance to answer any criminal accusation before the district court, the prosecution, unless otherwise ordered by the court for good cause shown, supported by affidavit, shall be dismissed and the bail discharged, if indictment or information be not presented against such defendant at the next term of the court which is held after his commitment or admission to bail.

ART. 593. The district or county attorney may, by permission of the court, dismiss a criminal action at any time upon complying with the requirements of article 38 of this Code.

When defendant is in custody, etc., and no indictment has been presented, etc., prosecution shall be dismissed, unless, etc. C.C.P. 537.

Prosecution may be dismissed by state's attorney, etc. C,C.P, 588.

TITLE VIII

Of Trial and its Incidents.

CHAPTER ONE.

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ARTICLE 594. The only mode of trial upon issue of fact is by jury, unless in cases specially excepted.

ART. 595. In the district court the jury shall consist of twelve men; in Jury shall con-e county court and inferior courts the jury shall consist of six men. the county court and inferior courts the jury shall consist of six men.

ART. 596. In all prosecutions for felonies, the defendant must be per- Defendant sonally present on the trial, and he must likewise be present in all cases must be per-sonally present or information for misdemeanors where the punishment or ent, etc., when, C.C.P. 640.

any part thereof is imprisonment in jail. ART. 597. In all other cases of misdemeanor, the defendant may, by In other misde-meanors deconsent of the attorney representing the state, appear by counsel, and the fendant may trial may proceed without his personal presence.

ART. 598. When the defendant in a case of felony is on bail he shall, Defendant on before the trial commences, be placed in the custody of the sheriff and his case placed in bail be considered as discharged.

ART. 599. If there be a mistrial in a case of felony, the original sureties of the defendant shall be still held bound for his appearance until they of mistrial. Surrondar him in accordance with the provisions of this Code C.C.P. 543. surrender him in accordance with the provisions of this Code.

ART. 600. There shall be kept by each clerk of the district and county Criminal docket shall be court, and by each inferior court having jurisdiction in criminal cases, a kept. docket in which shall be set down the style of each criminal action, the C.C.P. 544. file number thereof, the nature of the offense, the names of counsel, and the proceedings had therein, and the date of each proceeding.

the proceedings had therein, and the date of each proceeding. ART. 601. The district court shall, on the first day of its organization on first day of at each term, fix a day for taking up the criminal docket, which shall be term shall fix noted on the minutes; but in case of failure to make such order, the taking up criminal docket may be taken up on any day not earlier than the third day criminal docket. of the term.

ART. 602. The county court of each county shall hold a term for crim- County court shall hold a inal business on the first Monday in every month, or at such other time as term for criminal business on the first Monday in every month, or at such other time as that business, may have been fixed in accordance with law, but no criminal action shall etc. be called for trial before nine calcek A M of the first day of such term. (Act June 16, be called for trial before nine o'clock A. M. of the first day of such term.

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1876, p. 17, §2.)

Defendant re quired to plead when case is called for trial, C.C.P. 546. Meaning of

term "called for trial." C.C.P. 547.

ART. 603. In all cases less than capital the defendant is required, when his cause is called for trial, before it proceeds further, to plead by himself or his counsel whether or not he is guilty.

ART. 604. By the term "called for trial" is meant the stage of the cause when both parties have announced that they are ready, or when a continuance having been applied for has been denied.

CHAPTER TWO.

OF THE SPECIAL VENIRE IN CAPITAL CASES.

Definition of a "special venire. C.C.P. 548.

State may ob-tain order for special venire, etc. C.C.P. 548

Defendantmay obtain special venire, when.

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In case no jurors or not a sufficient num-ber have been selected, etc.

ARTICLE 605. A "special venire" is a writ issued by order of the district court in a capital case, commanding the sheriff to summon a certain number of persons-not less than thirty-six nor more than sixty-to appear before the court on a day named in the writ, from whom the jury for the trial of such case is to be selected.

When there is pending in any district court a criminal action Abt. 606. for a capital offense, the district or county attorney may, at any time after indictment found, on motion either written or oral, obtain an order for a special venire to be issued in such case.

ART. 607. The defendant in a capital case may also obtain an order for a special venire at any time after his arrest upon an indictment found upon motion in writing, supported by the affidavit of himself or counsel, stating that he expects to be ready for the trial of his case at the present term of the court.

ART. 608. The order of the court for the issuance of the writ shall state what, and specify the number of persons required to be summoned, and the time writ shall issue when such persons shall attend, and the time when such writ shall be when such persons shall attend, and the time when such writ shall be returnable, and the clerk shall forthwith issue the writ in accordance with such order.

A capital case may, by agreement of the parties, be set for Capital case ART. 609. A capital case may, by agreement of the parties, be set for particular day. trial or disposition for any particular day of the term with the permission of the court, or the court may, at its discretion, set a day for the trial or disposition of the same; and the day agreed upon by the parties, or fixed by the court, may be changed and some other day fixed should the court at any time deem it advisable.

Whenever a special venire is ordered the names of all the ART. 610. persons selected by the jury commissioners to do jury service for the term (Act Aug. 1, 1876, p. 82, §33.) are and color of paper, and the tickets placed in a box and well shaken size and color of paper, and the tickets placed in a box and well shaken up; and from this box the clerk, in presence of the judge, in open court, shall draw the number of names required for such special venire, and shall prepare a list of such names in the order in which they are drawn from the box, and attach such list to the writ and deliver the same to the sheriff.

When from any cause no jurors have been selected by the ART. 611. jury commissioners for the term, or when there shall not be a sufficient number of those selected to make the number required for the special venire, the court shall order the sheriff to summon a sufficient number of

good and intelligent citizens, who are qualified jurors in the county, to make the number required by the special venire.

ART. 612. When from any cause there is a failure to select a jury from same subject. those who have been summoned upon the special venire, the court shall

order the sheriff to summon any number of persons that it may deem advisable for the formation of the jury.

ART. 613. The sheriff or other officer executing the writ shall summon Service of writ. the persons whose names are upon the list attached to the writ, to be and appear before the court at the time named in such writ, which summons shall be made verbally upon the jurors in person.

The officer executing the writ shall return the same promptly Return of writ. ART, 614. on or before the time it is made returnable. The return shall state the names of those who have been summoned; and if any of those whose names are upon the list have not been summoned, the return shall state the diligence that has been used to summon them and the cause of the failure to summon them.

ART. 615. When the sheriff is ordered by the court to summon per- Sheriff shall be sons upon a special venire, whose names have not been selected as provided court as to in article 610, the court shall in every such case caution and direct the summoning sheriff to summon such men as have legal qualifications to serve on juries, C.P. 550. sheriff to summon such men as have legal qualifications to serve on juries, informing him of what those qualifications are; and shall further direct him, as far as he may be able, to summon men of good character, who can read and write, and such as are not prejudiced against the defendant or biased in his favor, if he knows of the existence of such bias or prejudice.

ART. 616. The clerk, immediately upon receiving the list of names of ^{Copy} of list of ^{Copy} of list of ^{Copy} of copy to the defendant, and such sheriff shall immediately deliver such copy to the defendant and return the writ, indorsing thereon the manner and time of its execution.

ART. 617. No defendant in a capital case shall be brought to trial until One day's serhe has had one day's service of a copy of the names of persons summoned before trial. under a special venire facias, except where he waives the right; but the service may be made at any time after indictment found whether before or after arraignment.

CHAPTER THREE.

OF THE FORMATION OF THE JURY IN CAPITAL CASES.

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A peremptory challenge. 634 Number of peremptory challenges in capital cases. challenge for cause may be made, for 635 A

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unless, etc..... Persons not selected as jurors shall be dis-. 644 charged.....

ARTICLE 618. When any capital case is called for trial, and the parties In capital case have announced ready for trial, the names of those summoned as jurors in mames of jurors to be the case shall be called at the court-house door, and such as are present called, etc. shall be seated in the jury box, and such as are not present may be fined

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by the court a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, and at the request of either party an attachment may issue for any person summoned, who is not present, to have him brought forthwith before the court.

ART. 619. When those who are present are seated in the jury box the court shall cause to be administered to them the following oath: "You, and each of you, solemnly swear that you will make true answers to such questions as may be propounded to you by the court, or under its direction, touching your service and qualification as a juror, so help you God." ART. 620. The court shall now hear and determine the excuses offered

ART. 620. The court shall now hear and determine the excuses offered by persons summoned for not serving as jurors, if any there be, and if an excuse offered be considered by the court sufficient the court shall discharge the person offering it from service.

ART. 621. A person summoned upon a special venire may be excused from attendance by the court at any time before he is impaneled, by consent of both parties.

ART. 622. Before proceeding to try the persons summoned as to their qualifications to serve as jurors, the court shall hear and determine a challenge to the array, if any be made.

ART. 623. The array of jurors summoned for the trial of any capital case may be challenged by the state when it is shown that the officer summoning the jurors has acted corruptly, and has willfully summoned jurors with a view to securing an acquittal.

ART. 624. The defendant may challenge the array for the following causes only:

That the officer summoning the jury has acted corruptly, and has willfully summoned persons upon the jury known to be prejudiced against the defendant, and with a view to cause him to be convicted.

ART. 625. The two preceding articles do not apply when the jurors summoned are those who have been selected by jury commissioners. In such case no challenge to the array is allowed.

ART. 626. All challenges to the array must be made in writing, setting forth distinctly the grounds of such challenge, and when made by the defendant it must be supported by his affidavit or the affidavit of some credible person.

ART. 627. When a challenge to an array is made the judge shall hear evidence and decide whether the challenge shall be sustained or not, without delay.

ART. 628. If the challenge be sustained the array of jurors summoned shall be discharged, and the court shall order other jurors to be summoned in their stead, and shall direct that the officer who summoned the persons so discharged, and on account of which officer's misconduct the challenge has been sustained, shall not summon any other jurors in the case.

ART. 629. When a challenge to the array has been sustained the defendant shall be entitled to service of a copy of the list of names of those summoned by order of the court, as in the first instance.

ART. 630. When no challenge to the array has been made, or having been made has been overruled, the court shall proceed to try the qualifications of those who have been summoned, and who are present, to serve as jurors.

ÅRT. 631. In testing the qualifications of a juror, he having first been sworn as provided in article 619, he shall be asked the following questions by the court, or under its direction:

1. Are you a qualified voter in this county and state, under the constitution and laws of this state?

2. Are you a householder in the county or a freeholder in the state?

If the person interrogated answers the foregoing questions in the affirmative, the court shall hold him to be a qualified juror, until the contrary be shown by further examination or other proof.

Excuses heard and determined by court.

May be excused by consent of parties, etc.

Challenge to the array may be heard, when.

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Defendant may challenge array, when. C.C.P. 569.

Two preceding articles do not apply, when, etc.

Challenge to the array must be in writing, etc.

Judge shall decide challenge without delay.

Proceedings when such challenge is sustained.

Defendant entitled to copy of list of persons summoned, as in first instance. Court shall proceed to try qualifications of persons summoned, etc.

Mode of testing qualification.

When a juror has been held to be qualified he shall be passed when held to be qualified, ART. 632. to the parties, first to the state and then to the defendant, for acceptance etc. or challenge.

ART. 633. Challenges to individual jurors are of two kinds: peremptory Two kinds of and for cause.

A peremptory challenge is made to a juror without assign-ART. 634. ing any reason therefor.

ART. 635. In capital cases the defendant shall be entitled to twenty Number of peremptory challenges and the state to ten, and where there are more challenges in defendants than one tried together each defendant shall be entitled to C.C.P. 572. twelve peremptory challenges, and the state six for each defendant.

ART. 636. A challenge for cause is an objection matter of a realise may be juror, alleging some fact which renders him incapable or unfit to serve on made for what reasons. C.C.P. 575.

1. That he is not a qualified voter in the state and county under the (Act Aug. 1, 1876, p. 83, §26.) constitution and laws of the state.

2. That he is neither a householder in the county nor a freeholder in the state.

3. That he has been convicted of theft or of any felony.

4. That he is under indictment or other legal accusation for theft or any felony.

5. That he is insane, or has such a defect in the organs of seeing, feeling or hearing, or such bodily or mental defect or disease as renders him unfit for jury service.

6. That he is a witness in the case.

7. That he served on the grand jury which found the indictment.

8. That he served on a petit jury in a former trial of the same case.

9. That he is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to the defendant.

10. That he is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to the person injured by the commission of the offense, or to the private prosecutor, if there be one.

11. That the juror has conscientious scruples in regard to the infliction of the punishment of death for crime.

12. That he has a bias or prejudice in favor of or against the defendant.

13. That from hearsay, or otherwise, there is established in the mind of the juror such a conclusion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant as will influence him in his action in finding a verdict. For the purpose of ascertaining whether this cause of challenge exists, the juror shall be first asked whether, in his opinion, the conclusion so established will influence his verdict. If he answer in the affirmative he shall be discharged; if he answer in the negative he shall be further examined by the court, or under its direction, as to how his conclusion was formed, and the extent to which it will affect his action, and if the court is not satisfied that he is impartial the juror shall be discharged.

14. That he can not read and write. This cause of challenge shall not be sustained where it appears to the court that the requisite number of jurors who are able to read and write can not be found in the county.

ART. 637. Upon a challenge for cause the examination is not confined to the answers of the juror, but other evidence may be heard in support of of or against the challenge. C.C.P. 577.

ART. 638. In examining a juror he shall not be asked a question the Juror shall not answer to which may show that he has been convicted of an offense which be asked cer-discupalifies him or that he stands charged by indictment or other legal C.C.P. 577. disqualifies him, or that he stands charged by indictment or other legal accusation with theft or any felony.

ART. 639. No juror shall be impaneled when it appears that he is sub- No juror shall ject either to the third, fourth or fifth clause of challenge in article 636, when C.C.P. 578. although both parties may consent.

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Court may adjourn persons summoned, etc., but jurors, when sworn, shall not separate, unless, etc C.C.P. 605.

Persons not selected as jurors shall be discharged.

In selecting the jury from the persons summoned, the names ART. 640. sons sum moned shall be of such persons shall be called in the order in which they appear upon the list furnished the defendant, and each juror shall be tried and passed upon C.P. 556, 558. separately, and a person who has been summoned, but who is not present, may, upon his appearance before the jury is completed, be tried as to his

qualifications and impaneled as a juror, unless challenged; but no cause shall be unreasonably delayed on account of the absence of such person.

Акт. 641. The court is the judge, after proper examination, of the qualifications of a juror, and shall decide all challenges without delay and without argument thereupon.

ART. 642. As each juror is selected for the trial of the case the following oath shall be administered to him by the court, or under its direction: "You solemnly swear that in the case of the State of Texas against (A B), the defendant, you will a true verdict render, according to the law and the evidence, so help you God."

The court may adjourn persons summoned as jurors in a ART. 643. capital case to any day of the term, but when jurors have been sworn in a case, those who have been so sworn shall be kept together and not permitted to separate until a verdict has been rendered, or the jury finally discharged, unless by permission of the court, with the consent of the state and the defendant, and in charge of an officer.

When a jury of twelve men has been completed, the other ART. 644. persons who may be in attendance under a summons to appear as jurors in the case shall be discharged from further attendance therein.

CHAPTER FOUR.

OF THE FORMATION OF THE JURY IN CASES LESS THAN CAPITAL.

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Duty of clerk when parties have announced ready for trial. (Act Aug. 1, 1876, p. 82, §21.)

Same subject. Ib. §22.

When court shall direct other jurors to be summoned.

When the parties have announced ready for trial in a ARTICLE 645. criminal action less than capital, the clerk shall write the names of all the regular jurors entered of record for that week on separate slips of paper, as near the same size and appearance as may be, and shall place the slips in a box and mix them well.

The clerk shall draw from the box, in presence of the court, ART. 646. the names of twenty-four jurors, if in the district court, or so many as there may be if there be a less number in the box; and the names of twelve jurors, if in the county court, or so many as there may be if there be a less number in the box, and write the names as drawn upon two slips of paper, and deliver one slip to the attorney for the state and the other to the defendant or his attorney.

When there are not as many as twelve names drawn from ART. 647. the box, if in the district court, or if in the county court, as many as six, the court shall direct the sheriff to summon such number of qualified persons as the court may deem necessary to complete the panel, and the names of the persons thus summoned shall be placed in the box and drawn and entered upon the slips as provided in the preceding articles.

ART. 648. When as many as twelve or more jurors, if in the district Challenge for court, or six or more if in the county court, are drawn and the lists of made, when their names delivered to the parties, if either party desire to challenge any juror for cause, the challenge shall now be made, and the proceedings in such case shall be the same as in capital cases.

ART. 649. If the number of jurors be reduced by challenge for cause When number to less than twelve in the district court, or six in the county court, the is reduced et court shall order other jurors to be drawn or summoned, as the case may others to be be, and placed upon the lists in place of those who have been set aside for cause.

The challenges for cause in all criminal actions are the same Causes for ART. 650. as provided in capital cases in article 636, except cause in said article, challenge sain capital which is applicable to capital cases only.

ART. 651. When a juror has been challenged and set aside for cause, Peremptory his name shall be erased from the lists furnished the parties, and when made, when. there are twelve names remaining on the lists not subject to challenge for cause if in the district court, or six names if in the county court, the parties shall proceed to make their peremptory challenges if they desire to make any.

ART. 652. In prosecutions for felonies not capital the defendant shall In felonies not be entitled to ten peremptory challenges and the state to five, and where ber of chalmore defendants than one are tried together each defendant shall be lenges. C.C.P. 573. entitled to six peremptory challenges and the state to three for each defendant.

ART. 653. In misdemeanors tried in the district court the state and In misdemeandefendant shall be each entitled to five peremptory challenges; if tried in Ors. C.C.P. 574. the county court the state and defendant shall be each entitled to three peremptory challenges; and if there are more defendants than one tried together each defendant shall be entitled to three peremptory challenges in either court.

ART. 654. The manner of making a peremptory challenge shall be as Manner of follows: The party desiring to challenge a juror or jurors peremptorily emptory chal-shall erase the name or names of such juror or jurors from the list fur-nished him by the clerk, and the party may erase any number of names 1876, p. 82.) not exceeding the number of peremptory challenges allowed him by law.

ART. 655. When the parties have made their peremptory channed to as provided in the preceding article, or when they decline to make any, clerk, when. When the parties have made their peremptory challenges Lists shall be they shall deliver their lists to the clerk and the clerk shall, if the case be in the district court, call off the first twelve names on the lists that have not been erased, and if the case be in the county court he shall call off the first six names on the lists that have not been erased, and the persons whose names are called shall be sworn as jurors to try the case.

ART. 656. When by peremptory challenges the jury is left incomplete When jur' is the court shall direct such number of other jurors to be drawn or sum- court shall moned, as the case may be, as the court may consider sufficient to com- direct, etc. plete the jury, and the same proceedings shall be had in selecting and impaneling such other jurors as are had in the first instance.

When the jury has been selected the following oath shall Jath to be ad ART. 657. be administered to them by the court, or under its direction:

"You, and each of you, solemnly swear, that in the case of the State of Texas against (A B), the defendant, you will a true verdict render according to the law and the evidence, so help you God."

When from any cause there are no regular jurors for the When there ART. 658. week from whom to select a jury, the court shall order the sheriff to summon forthwith such number of qualified persons as it may deem sufficient, shall order jurors to be and from those summoned a jury shall be formed as provided in the pre-summoned. ceding articles of this chapter.

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challenge same case, except, etc.

ministered to jurors. C.C.P. 563.

Array may be challenged as in capital case.

The array of jurors may be challenged by either party for ART. 659. the causes and in the manner provided in capital cases, and the proceedings in such case shall be the same.

CHAPTER FIVE.

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Order of pro-ceeding in trial. C.C.P. 580.

ARTICLE 660. A jury having been impaneled in any criminal action. the cause shall proceed to trial in the following order:

1. The indictment or information shall be read to the jury by the district or county attorney.

2. The special pleas, if any, shall be read by the defendant's counsel, and if the plea of not guilty is also relied upon it shall also be so stated. 3. The district attorney, or the counsel prosecuting in his absence, shall state to the jury the nature of the accusation and the facts which are expected to be proved by the state in support thereof.

4. The testimony on the part of the state shall be introduced.

5. The nature of the defenses relied upon shall be stated by the counsel of the defendant, and what are the facts expected to be proved in their support.

6. The testimony on the part of the defendant shall be offered.

7. Rebutting testimony may be offered on the part of the state and of the defendant.

The court shall allow testimony to be introduced at any ART. 661. time before the argument of a cause is concluded, if it appear that it is necessary to a due administration of justice.

ART. 662. At the request of either party the witnesses on both sides may be sworn and placed in the custody of an officer and removed out of the court room to some place where they can not hear the testimony as delivered by any other witness in the cause. This is termed placing witnesses under rule.

When witnesses are placed under rule, those summoned for **ART.** 663. the prosecution may be kept separate from those summoned for the defense; or they may all be kept together as the court shall direct.

Testimony allowed at any time before, etc., if, etc. CC.P. 581.

Witnesses placed under rule. C.C.P. 582.

Witnesses un-der rule kept separate, or. C.C.P. 538.

ART. 664. The party requesting witnesses to be placed under rule may A part or all designate such as he desires placed under rule, and those not so designated may be place will be exempt from the rule, or the party may have all the witnesses in under rule. the case placed under rule.

Witnesses when under rule shall be attended by an officer, When under ART. 665. and all their reasonable wants provided for, unless the court in its discretion direct that they be allowed to go at large; but in no case where the officer, etc. witnesses are under rule shall they be allowed to hear the testimony in the case, or any part thereof.

Witnesses when placed under rule shall be instructed by Shall be in-ART. 666. the court that they are not to converse with each other, or with any other court, etc. person about the case, except by permission of the court, and that they are not to read any report of, or comment upon the testimony in the case while under rule, and the officer who attends the witnesses shall report to the court at once any violation of its instructions, and the party violating the same shall be punished for contempt of court.

ART. 667. When a criminal cause is to be argued, the order of argu-ment may be regulated by the presiding judge; but in all cases the state's by the judge; counsel shall have the right to make the concluding address to the jury. C.C.P. 585.

ART. 668. In prosecutions for felony the court shall never restrict the In prosecutions for felony two addresses than two on each side. argument to a less number of addresses than two on each side.

ART. 669. Where two or more defendants are jointly prosecuted, they Defendants' ART. 669. Where two or more detendants are jointly prosecuted, they betendants may sever in the trial at the request of either; and if the defendant upon whose application the severance is allowed shall file his affidavit in writing, stating that a severance is requested for the purpose of obtaining the evi-1874, p. 29.) dence of one or more of the persons jointly indicted with him; that such evidence is material for his defense, and that he verily believes that there Is no evidence against the person or persons whose evidence is desired, such person or persons shall be first tried. ART. 670. Where a severance is claimed, but no affidavit is filed as Attorney for

provided in the preceding article, the attorney representing the state shall state may elect be entitled to elect which defendant shall be first tried.

The attorney representing the state may at any time, under May dismiss as to one, who ART. 671. the rules provided in article 38, dismiss a prosecution as to one or more may be defendants jointly indicted with others, and the person so discharged may witness. C.C.P. 588. be introduced as a witness by either party.

be introduced as a witness by either party. ART. 672. When it is apparent that there is no evidence against a Where there is defendant in any case where he is jointly prosecuted with others, the jury may be directed to find a verdict as to such defendant, and if they acquit he may be introduced as a witness in the case. he may be introduced as a witness in the case.

Where it appears in the course of a trial that the court has Where it ap-ART. 673. no jurisdiction of the offense, or that the facts charged in the indictment has no jurisdiction of the offense, or that the facts charged in the indictment has no jurisdiction of the offense. do not constitute an offense, the jury shall be discharged.

was presented, the court may, in cases of felony, order the defendant into custody for a reasonable length of time to await a warrant for his arrest from the proper county; or, if the offense be bailable, may require the defendant to enter into recognizance to answer before the proper court, in which case a certified copy of the recognizance shall be transmitted forthwith to the clerk of the proper court, to be enforced by that court in case of forfeiture as in other cases.

ART. 675. In all cases where it appears that the facts charged in the Befendant shall be dis-indictment or information do not constitute an offense, and in all cases of charged in all misdemeanor where it appears that the court has no jurisdiction of the C.C.P. 590, 592

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same, and the jury is discharged as provided in article 673, the defendant shall also be discharged; but such discharge shall be no bar in any case to a prosecution before the proper court for any offense against the law.

ART. 676. The jury are the exclusive judges of the facts in every criminal cause, but not of the law in any case. They are bound to receive the law from the court and be governed thereby.

ART. 677. After the argument of any criminal cause has been concluded the judge shall deliver to the jury a written charge, in which he shall distinctly set forth the law applicable to the case; but he shall not express any opinion as to the weight of evidence, nor shall he sum up the testimony. This charge shall be given in all cases of felony, whether asked or not.

ART. 678. It is beyond the province of a judge sitting in criminal causes to discuss the facts or use any argument in his charge calculated to rouse the sympathy or excite the passion of a jury. It is his duty to state plainly the law of the case.

ART. 679. After or before the charge of the court to the jury the counsel on both sides may present written instructions and ask that they be given to the jury. The court shall either give or refuse these charges, with or without modification, and certify thereto; and when the court shall modify a charge it shall be done in writing, and in such manner as to clearly show what the modification is.

ART. 680. The general charge given by the court, as well as those given or refused at the request of either party, shall be certified by the judge and filed among the papers in the cause, and shall constitute a part of the record of the cause.

ART. 681. In criminal actions for misdemeanor the court is not required to charge the jury, except at the request of the counsel on either side; but when so requested shall give or refuse such charges, with or without modification as are asked in writing.

ART. 682. No verbal charge shall be given in any case whatever, except in cases of misdemeanor, and then only by consent of the parties.

ART. 683. When charges are asked the judge shall read to the jury only such as he gives.

ART. 684. The jury may take with them, in their retirement, the charges given by the court after the same have been filed, but they shall not be permitted to take with them any charge or portion of a charge, that has been asked of the court and which the court has refused to give.

ART. 685. Whenever it appears by the record in any criminal action, upon appeal of the defendant, that any of the requirements of the eight preceding articles have been disregarded, the judgment shall be reversed; *provided*, the error is excepted to at the time of the trial.

ART. 686. On the trial of any criminal action the defendant, by himself or counsel, may tender his bill of exceptions to any decision, opinion, order or charge of the court or other proceedings in the case, and the judge shall sign such bill of exceptions, under the rules prescribed in civil suits, in order that such decision, opinion, order or charge may be revised upon appeal.

ART. 687. After the jury has been sworn and impaneled to try any case of felony, they shall not be permitted to separate until they have returned a verdict, unless by permission of the court, with the consent of the attorney representing the state, and the defendant, and in charge of an officer.

ART. 688. In cases of misdemeanor, the court may, at its discretion, permit the jury to separate before verdict, after giving them proper instructions in regard to their conduct as jurors in the case while so separated.

The jury are judges of fact. C.C.P. 593.

Charge of court to the jury. C.C.P. 594.

Charge shall not discuss the facts, etc. C.C.P. 595.

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Judgment will be reversed on appeal, when,

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etc. C.C.P. 602.

Bill of exceptions. C.C.P. 603.

Jury in felony case shall not separate until, unless, etc. C.C.P. 695.

In misdemeanor case court may permit jury to sepatate.

ART. 689. It is the duty of the sheriff to provide a suitable room for Sheriff shall the deliberation of the jury, in all criminal cases, and to supply them with with etc. such necessary food and lodging as he can obtain; but no spirituous, C.C.P. 606. vinous or malt liquor of any kind shall be furnished them.

ART. 690. No person shall be permitted to be with a jury while they No person shall are deliberating upon a case, nor shall any person be permitted to con-verse with a juror after he has been impaneled, except in the presence and converse with them, except, by the permission of the court or except in a case of misdemeasion where the by the permission of the court, or except in a case of misdemeanor where etc. the jury have been permitted by the court to separate, and in no case C.C.P. 607. shall any person be permitted to converse with the juror about the case on trial.

ART. 691. Any juror or other person violating the preceding article Punishment shall be punished for contempt of court by fine not exceeding one hundred for violation of preceding dollars.

ART. 692. In order to supply all the reasonable wants of the jury, and Officer shall for the purpose of keeping them together and preventing intercourse with any other person, the sheriff shall see that they are constantly attended by a proper officer, who shall always remain sufficiently near the jury to answer to any call made upon him by them, but shall not be with them while they are discussing the case; nor shall such officer at any time, while the case is on trial before them, converse about the case with any of them, nor in the presence of any of them.

The jury may take with them, on retiring to consider of Jury shall take ART. 693. ART. 693. The jury may take with them, on round g all papers in the cause and any papers used as the case. C.C.P. 610.

The jury in all cases shall appoint one of their body fore-Foreman ART. 694. man, in order that their deliberations may be conducted with regularity appointed. C.C.P. 611. and order.

When the jury wish to communicate with the court they Jury may com-**A**RT. 695. shall make their wish known to the sheriff, who shall inform the court the court thereof, and they may be brought before the court, and through their foreman shall state to the court, either verbally or in writing, what they desire to communicate.

The jury, after having retired, may ask further instruction Jury may ask **ART.** 696. ART. 696. The jury, after having founds, may are the jury shall struction. of the judge touching any matter of law. For this purpose the jury shall struction. C.C.P. 614. appear before the judge, in open court, in a body, and through their foreman state to the court, either verbally or in writing, the particular point of law upon which they desire further instruction, and the court shall give such instruction in writing; but no instruction shall be given, except upon

the particular point on which it is asked. ART. 697. If the jury disagree as to the statement of any particular Jury may have witness, they mays upon applying to the court, have such witness again witness re-ex-amined, when C.C.P. 615. his testimony to the particular point of disagreement, and no other, and he shall be further instructed to make his statement in the language used upon his examination as nearly as he can.

ART. 698. In every case of felony the defendant shall be present in Defendant the court when any such proceeding is had, as mentioned in the three next ent, when. preceding articles. His counsel shall also be called. In cases of misdemeanor the defendant need not be personally present.

ART. 699. If, after the retirement of the jury, in a felony case, any If a juror be-one of them become so sick as to prevent the continuance of his duty, or retirement. any accident or circumstance occur to prevent their being kept together,

the jury may be discharged. ART. 700. In a misdemeanor case, in the district court, if nine of the In misdemeanjury can be kept together they shall not be discharged; but if more than trict court, three of the twelve are discharged the entire jury must be discharged. (Const., art. 5, 512)

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ART. 701. The jury may be discharged after the cause is submitted to them, when they can not agree, and both parties consent to their discharge, or where they have been kept together for such time as to render it altogether improbable they can agree; in this latter case, the court, in its discretion, may discharge them.

Final adjourn-ment of court discharges jury C.C.P. 620.

C.C.P. 620. When jury has been dis-charged with-out a verdict cause may be again tried, etc. C.C.P. 621.

Court may pro-ceed with other business, etc. C.C.P. 622.

ART. 702. A final adjournment of the court, before the jury have agreed upon a verdict, discharges them.

ART. 703. When a jury has been discharged, as provided in the four next preceding articles, without having rendered a verdict, the cause may be again tried at the same or another term.

The court may, during the retirement of the jury, proceed ART. 704. to any other business and adjourn from time to time, but shall be deemed open for all purposes connected with the case before the jury.

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Definition of "verdict."

In felony case 12 jurors must concur, and verdict must be signed, etc. In misdemeanor case in dis-trict court nine jurors may ren-der verdict, etc. (Act Aug. 1, 1876, p. 12, §19.)

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ARTICLE 705. A "verdict" is a declaration by a jury of their decision of the issues submitted to them in the case, and it must be in writing and concurred in by each member of the jury.

ART. 706. Not less than twelve jurors can render and return a verdict in a felony case, and the verdict shall be signed by the foreman.

ART. 707. In cases of misdemeanor in the district court, where one or more of the jurors have been discharged from serving after the cause has been submitted to them, if there be as many as nine of the jurors remaining, those remaining may render and return a verdict, but in such case the verdict must be signed by each one of the jurors rendering it. ART. 708. In the county court, in all criminal actions, the jury con-

sists of six men, and the verdict must be concurred in by each of them.

ART. 709. When the jury have agreed upon a verdict they shall be brought into court by the proper officer, and if, when asked, they answer that they have agreed, the verdict shall be read aloud by the clerk, and if in proper form and no juror dissents therefrom, and neither party requests to have the jury polled, the verdict shall be entered upon the minutes of the court.

ART. 710. It is the right either of the state or of the defendant to have the jury polled, which is done by calling separately the name of each juror, and asking him if it is his verdict. If all, when asked, answer in the affirmative the verdict shall be entered upon the minutes; but if any juror answer in the negative the jury shall refire again to consider of their verdict.

ART. 711. In cases of felony the defendant must be present when the verdict is read, unless he escape after the commencement of the trial of the cause; but in cases of misdemeanor it may be received and read in his absence.

The verdict in every criminal action must be general; Verdict must re special pleas, upon which the jury are to find, they must C.C.P. 636. ART. 712. when there are special pleas, upon which the jury are to find, they must say in their verdict that the matters alleged in such pleas are true or untrue; where the plea is not guilty, they must find that the defendant is either "guilty" or "not guilty;" and, in addition thereto, they shall assess the punishment in all cases where the same is not absolutely fixed by law to some particular penalty.

Where a prosecution is for an offense consisting of different Where offense Art. 713. degrees, the jury may find the defendant not guilty of the higher degree degrees is (naming it), but guilty of any degree inferior to that charged in the indict- charged. C.C.P. 630. ment or information.

ART. 714. The following offenses include different degrees:

1. Murder, which includes all the lesser degrees of culpable homicide, degrees. C.C.P. 631. and also an assault with intent to commit murder.

2. An assault with intent to commit any felony, which includes all assaults of an inferior degree.

3. Maiming, which includes disfiguring, wounding, aggravated assaults and battery, and simple assaults and batteries.

4. Arson, which includes every malicious burning made penal by law. 5. Burglary, which includes every species of house-breaking and theft or other felony when charged in the indictment in connection with the burglary.

6. Theft, which includes swindling, embezzlement, and all unlawful

acquisitions of personal property, punishable by the Penal Code. 7. Perjury, which includes all false-swearing made punishable by the Penal Code.

8. Bigamy, which includes adultery and fornication.

9. Adultery, which includes fornication.

10. Riot, which includes unlawful assembly.

11. Kidnapping or abduction, which includes false imprisonment.

12. Every offense against the person includes within it assaults with intent to commit said offense, when such attempt is a violation of the penal law.

13. Every offense includes within it an attempt to commit the offense, when such an attempt is made penal by law.

ART. 715. If the jury find a verdict which is informal their attention Informal vershall be called to it, and, with their consent, the verdict may, under the corrected, etc. C.C.P. 637.

direction of the court, be reduced to proper form. ART. 716. If the jury refuse to have the verdict altered they shall where jury refuse to have the verdict corrected to their room to deliberate, unless it manifestly appear that verdict corrected to the verdict corrected the verdict is intended as an acquittal, and in that case the judgment rected. shall be rendered accordingly, discharging the defendant.

Where several defendants are tried together, the jury may ART. 717. convict such of the defendants as they deem guilty and acquit others.

ART. 718. Where the jury, on the trial of several defendants, agree to Same subject. C.O.P. 633. a verdict as to one or more, and can not agree as to others, they may find a verdict as to those in regard to whom they agree, and judgment shall be rendered accordingly; and the case, as to the rest, may be tried by another jury.

ART. 719. In all cases of acquittal the defendant shall be immediately In case of acdischarged from all further liability upon the charge for which he has been tried, and judgment upon the verdict accordingly shall be at once rendered and entered.

ndered and entered. ART. 720. In every case of acquittal or conviction the proper judgment Judgment on acquittal or shall be entered immediately. conviction

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When a verdict of guilty is rendered in any case of felony ART. 721. the defendant shall remain in custody to await the further action of the court thereon.

ART. 722. When the defendant is acquitted on the ground of insanity the jury shall so state in their verdict.

ART. 723. When a jury has been impaneled to assess the punishment upon a plea of "guilty," they shall say in their verdict what the punishment is which they assess; but where the jury are of opinion that a person pleading guilty is insane they shall so report to the court, and an issue as to that fact be tried before another jury, and if upon such trial it be found that the defendant is insane, such proceedings shall be had as are directed in title xii, chapter 2 of this Code.

ART. 724. If a defendant, prosecuted for an offense which includes within it lesser degrees, be convicted of an offense lower than that for which he is indicted, and a new trial be granted him, or the judgment be arrested for any cause other than the want of jurisdiction, the verdict upon the first trial shall be considered an acquittal of the higher offense; but he may upon a second trial be convicted of the same offense of which he was before convicted, or any other inferior thereto.

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I. GENERAL RULES.

The rules of evidence known to the common law of ARTICLE 725. England, both in civil and criminal cases, shall govern in the trial of criminal actions in this state, except where they are in conflict with the provisions of this Code or of some statute of the state.

The rules of evidence prescribed by the statute law of ART. 726. this state, in civil suits, shall so far as applicable govern also in criminal actions, when not in conflict with the provisions of this Code or of the Penal Code.

ART. 727. The defendant in a criminal case is presumed to be innocent until his guilt is established by legal evidence; and in case of reasonable doubt as to his guilt he is entitled to be acquitted.

ART. 728. The jury in all cases are the exclusive judges of the facts proved, and of the weight to be given to the testimony, except where it is provided by law that proof of any particular fact is to be taken as either conclusive or presumptive proof of the existence of another fact, or where

Rules of com-mon law shall govern.except. C.C.P. 638.

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the law directs that a certain degree of weight is to be attached to a certain species of evidence.

ART. 729. In ruling upon the admissibility of evidence the judge shall Judge shall not discuss not discuss or comment upon the weight of the same, or its bearing in evidence offer the case, but shall simply decide whether or not it be admissible. Nor shall ed, etc. (Act to adopt he, at any stage of the proceedings, previous to the return of a verdict, and establish make any remark calculated to convey to the jury his opinion of the case. (P.C. and C. of Feb. 21, 1879.) not discuss or comment upon the weight of the same, or its bearing in evidence offer

II. OF PERSONS WHO MAY TESTIFY.

ART. 730. All persons are competent to testify in criminal actions, Persons incom except the following:

1. Insane persons, who are in an insane condition of mind at the time when they are offered as witnesses, or who were in that condition when the events happened of which they are called to testify.

2. Children or other persons who, after being examined by the court, appear not to possess sufficient intellect to relate transactions with respect to which they are interrogated, or who do not understand the obligation of an oath.

3. In prosecutions for seductions under the provisions of the Penal Code, the female alleged to have been seduced. 4. The defendant in the criminal action on trial.

5. All persons who have been or may be convicted of felony in this state, or in any other jurisdiction, unless such conviction has been legally set aside, or unless the convict has been legally pardoned for the crime of which he was convicted. But no person who has been convicted of the crime of perjury or false swearing, and whose conviction has not been legally set aside, shall have his competency as a witness restored by a pardon unless such pardon by its terms specifically restore his competency

to testify in a court of justice. ART. 731. Persons charged as principals, accomplices or accessories, Principals, ac complices and ART. 731. Persons charged as principale, accessories, and the intro- accessories, and P.C. 230. duced as witnesses for one another, but they may claim a severance; and if any one or more be acquitted, or the prosecution against them be dismissed, they may testify in behalf of the others.

ART. 732. The court may, upon suggestion made, or of its own option, Court may interrogate a person who is offered as a witness for the purpose of ascerness touching taining whether he is competent to testify, or the competency or incompe- competency. tency of the witness may be shown by evidence.

ART. 733. All other persons except those enumerated in articles 730 All other per-and 735, whatever may be the relationship between the defendant and tent witnesses witness, are competent to testify, except that an attorney at law shall not disclose a communication made to him by his client during the existence of that relationship, nor disclose any other fact which came to the knowledge of such attorney by reason of such relationship.

ART. 734. Neither husband or wife shall in any case testify as to com- Husband or munications made by one to the other while married; nor shall they, after wife shall not testify as to, the marriage relation ceases, be made witnesses as to any such communi-etc cation made while the marriage relation subsisted, except in a case where one or the other is prosecuted for an offense and a declaration or communication made by the wife to the husband, or by the husband to the wife, goes to extenuate or justify an offense for which either is on trial.

ART. 735. The husband and wife may in all criminal actions be wit- Same subject. nesses for each other, but they shall in no case testify against each other except in a criminal prosecution for an offense committed by one against the other.

e other. ART. 736. No person is incompetent to testify on account of his religi-is opinion or for the want of any religious belief. Bull of Rights, ous opinion or for the want of any religious belief.

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ses. C.C.P. 646.

C.C.P. 647.

petent to tes-tify. C.C.P. 644.

ART. 737. A defendant jointly indicted with others, and who has been

The judge of a court trying an offense is a competent wit-

When it is proposed to offer the testimony of a judge in a

Defendant jointly indicted may testify, when. (Tilley v. State, 21 Tex. R., 200.) tried and convicted, and whose punishment was fine only, may testify for the other defendant after he has paid the fine and costs. Judge of the court is a com-petent witness. C.C.P. 650. ness for either the state or the defendant, and may be sworn upon the trial and examined.

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Judge not re-quired to tes-tify, when. C.C.P. 651.

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cause pending before him, he is not required to testify if he declares that there is no fact within his knowledge important in the cause. When the judge of a court is offered as a witness, the oath Авт. 740. may be administered to him by the clerk.

ART. 741. A conviction can not be had upon the testimony of an accomplice unless corroborated by other evidence tending to connect the defendant with the offense committed, and the corroboration is not sufficient if it merely shows the commission of the offense.

ART. 742. In trials for forgery, the person whose name is alleged to have been forged is a competent witness, and in all cases not otherwise specially provided for the person injured or attempted to be injured is a competent witness.

> EVIDENCE AS TO PARTICULAR OFFENSES. III.

No person can be convicted of treason except upon the ART. 743. testimony of at least two witnesses to the same overt act, or upon his own confession in open court.

Evidence shall not be admitted in a prosecution for treason ART. 744. as to an overt act not expressly charged in the indictment; nor shall any person be convicted under an indictment for treason unless one or more overt act are expressly charged therein.

In all cases where by law two witnesses, or one with corrob-ART. 745. orating circumstances, are required to authorize a conviction, if the requirement be not fulfilled, the court shall instruct the jury to render a verdict of acquittal, and they are bound by the instruction.

In trials for perjury no person shall be convicted except ART. 746. upon the testimony of two credible witnesses, or of one credible witness corroborated strongly by other evidence as to the falsity of the defendant's statements under oath, or upon his own confession in open court.

In trials of forgery it need not be proved that the defendant ART. 747. committed the act with intent to defraud any particular person. It shall be sufficient to prove that the forgery was in its nature calculated to injure or defraud any of the sovereignties, bodies corporate or politic, officers or persons named in the definition of the offense of forgery in the Penal Code.

IV. OF DYING DECLARATIONS AND OF CONFESSIONS OF THE DEFENDANT. The dying declarations of a deceased person may be offered ART. 748. in evidence either for or against a defendant charged with the homicide of such deceased person under the restrictions hereafter provided. To render the declarations of the deceased competent evidence it must be satisfactorily proved-

1. That at the time of making such declarations he was conscious of approaching death and believed there was no hope of recovering.

2. That such declaration was voluntarily made, and not through the persuasion of any person.

3. That such declaration was not made in answer to interrogatories calculated to lead the deceased to make any particular statement.

4. That he was of sane mind at the time of making the declaration.

The confession of a defendant may be used in evidence ART. 749. against him if it appear that the same was freely made without compulsion or persuasion, under the rules hereafter prescribed.

Confession of defendant. C.C.P. 661.

The confession shall not be used if at the time it was made when confession shall not **ART.** 750. the defendant was in jail, or other place of confinement, nor while he be used is in custody of an officer, unless such confession be made in the voluntary statement of the accused, taken before an examining court in accordance with law, or be made voluntarily after having been first cautioned that it may be used against him, or unless in connection with such confession he make statement of facts or of circumstances that are found to be true which conduce to establish his guilt, such as the finding of secreted or stolen property, or instrument with which he states the offense was committed.

V. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

ART. 751. When part of an act, declaration or conversation or writing When part of is given in evidence by one party, the whole on the same subject may be inquired into by the other, as when a letter is read all other letters on the given in evisame subject between the same parties may be given. And when a detailed whole may be act, declaration, conversation or writing is given in evidence, any other ^{required.} act, declaration or writing which is necessary to make it fully understood, or to explain the same, may also be given in evidence.

ART. 752. When an instrument is partly written and partly printed written part of an instrument sistent. ART. 753. When a subscribing witness denies or does not recollect the execution of an instrument to which his name appears, its execution may be proved by other evidence.

ART. 754. It is competent in every case to give evidence of hand-ART. 754. It is competent in every case to get up the proof by by comparison, writing by comparison, made by experts or by the jury; but proof by by comparison, writing by comparison, a C.C.P. 667. comparison only shall not be sufficient to establish the handwriting of a witness who denies his signature under oath.

ART. 755. The rule that a party introducing a witness shall not attack Party may at-tack testimony his testimony is so far modified as that any party, when facts stated by of his own with the witness are injurious to his cause, may attack his testimony in any ness, when and other manner, except by proving the bad character of the witness. C.C.P. 668. other manner, except by proving the bad character of the witness.

When a witness does not understand and speak the English Interpreter shall be sworn ART. 756. language, an interpreter must be sworn to interpret for him. Any person to interpret, when, may be subpænaed, attached or recognized in any criminal action or proceeding to appear before the proper judge or court to act as interpreter in such criminal action or proceeding, under the same rules and penalties as are provided in the case of the witnesses.

CHAPTER EIGHT.

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sion shall not C.C.P. 662.

Defendantmay

but the state or person prosecuting shall have the right to cross-examine the witnesses, and the defendant shall not use the deposition for any purpose unless he first consent that the entire evidence or statement of the witness may be used against him by the state on the trial of the case.

ART. 758. Depositions of witnesses may also, at the request of the defendant, be taken in the following cases :

1. When the witness resides out of the state.

2. When the witness is aged or infirm.

ART. 759: Depositions of witnesses within the state may be taken by a supreme or district judge, or before any two or more of the following officers : The county judge of a county, notary public, clerk of the district court and clerk of the county court.

Depositions of a witness residing out of the state may be ART. 760. taken before the judge or chancellor of a superior court of law or equity, or before a commissioner of deeds and depositions for this state, who resides within the state where the deposition is to be taken.

ART. 761. The deposition of a non-resident witness, who may be temporarily within the state, may be taken under the same rules which apply to the taking of depositions of other witnesses in the state.

The rules prescribed in civil cases for taking the deposition ART. 762. of witnesses shall, as to the manner and form of taking and returning the same, govern in criminal actions when not in conflict with the requirements of this Code.

The same rules of procedure, as to objections to depositions, Same object ART. 763. The same rules of procedure, as to objections to depositions, tions to depositions as in civil shall govern in criminal actions which are prescribed in civil actions, when not in conflict with this Code.

> When the defendant desires to take the deposition of a ART. 764. witness, at any other time than before the examining court, he shall, by himself or counsel, file with the clerk of the court in which the case is pending a statement on oath setting forth the facts necessary to constitute a good reason for taking the same, and in addition thereto state in his affidavit that he has no other witness whose attendance on the trial can be procured by whom he can prove the facts he desires to establish by the deposition.

> In cases arising under the preceding article, written inter-ART. 765. rogatories shall be filed with the clerk of the court, and a copy of the same served on the district attorney or county attorney of the proper district or county, the length of time required for service of interrogatories in civil actions.

> In every case where depositions are taken, under commission ART. 766. in criminal actions, the officer or officers taking the same shall certify that the person deposing is the identical person named in the commission and is a credible person; or, if they can not certify to the identity of the witness, there shall be an affidavit of some person attached to the deposition proving the identity and credibility of such witness; and the officer or officers shall certify that the person making the affidavit is known to them and is worthy of credit.

> ART. 767. In cases where it is required that two officers shall act in executing a commission to take depositions, the official seal and signature of each shall be attached to the certificate authenticating the deposition.

> The deposition of a witness taken before an examining court ART. 768. may be taken without interrogatories; but whenever a deposition is so taken, it shall be done by the proper officer or officers, and there shall be allowed both to the state and to the defendant full liberty of cross-examination.

> ART. 769. The depositions of witnesses taken before an examining court may be taken without a commission, and if such examining court be

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ART. 771. A deposition taken in an examining court shall be sealed up How deposi-ART. 771. A deposition taken in an examining court shall be seened by the officer or officers, or one of them, to the clerk of the tion shall be returned. and delivered by the officer or officers, or one of them, to the clerk of the clerk of the clerk of the clerk of the returned. C.C.P. 778. cases the return of depositions may be made as provided for depositions in civil actions.

ART. 772. Depositions taken in criminal actions shall not be read, Deposition unless oath be made that the witness resides out of the state; or, that read unless unless oath be made that the witness resides out of the barroe, has oath be made since his deposition was taken the witness has died; or, that he has oath be made that, etc. C.C.P. 779. from attending the court through the act or agency of the defendant; or, by the act or agency of any person whose object was to deprive the defendant of the benefit of the testimony; or, that by reason of age or bodily infirmity such witness can not attend.

ART. 773. When the deposition is sought to be used by the state, the District or oath prescribed in the preceding article may be made by the district or ney may make county attorney or any other credible person, and when sought to be used out. by the defendant the oath shall he made by him in person by the defendant the oath shall be made by him in person.

ART. 774. The deposition of a witness taken before an examining court Testimony or a jury of inquest and reduced to writing, and certified according to law, examining in cases where the defendant was present when such testimony was taken, court may be and had the privilege afforded him of cross-examining the witness, may be dence, when read in evidence as is provided in the two preceding articles for the read-ing in evidence of depositions.

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ART. 777. New trials, in cases of felony, shall be granted for the following causes, and for no other.

1. Where the defendant has been tried in his absence, or has been denied counsel.

2. Where the court has misdirected the jury as to the law, or has committed any other material error calculated to injure the rights of the defendant.

3. Where the verdict has been decided by lot, or in any other manner than by a fair expression of opinion by the jurors.

4. Where a juror has received a bribe to convict, or has been guilty of any other corrupt conduct.

5. Where any material witness of the defendant has, by force, threats or fraud, been prevented from attending the court, or where any written evidence tending to establish the innocence of the defendant has been intentionally destroyed or removed so that it could not be produced upon the trial.

6. Where new testimony material to the defendant has been discovered since the trial. A motion for a new trial based on this ground shall be governed by the same rules as those which regulate civil suits.

7. Where the jury, after having retired to deliberate upon a case, have received other testimony; or, where a juror has conversed with any person in regard to the case; or, where any juror, at any time during the trial or after retiring, may have become so intoxicated as to render it probable his verdict was influenced thereby. But the mere drinking of liquor by a juror shall not be sufficient ground for granting a new trial.

8. Where, from the misconduct of the jury, the court is of opinion that the defendant has not received a fair and impartial trial, and it shall be competent to prove such misconduct by the voluntary affidavit of a juror; and a verdict may, in like manner, in such cases, be sustained by such affidavit.

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ART. 778. New trials, in cases of misdemeanor, may be granted for In misdemeanany of the causes specified in the preceding article, except that contained ors may be granted, when, in subdivision one of said article.

ART. 779. A new trial must be applied for within two days after the Must be applied for within conviction, but for good cause shown the court, in cases of felony, may two days, allow the application to be made at any time before the adjournment of e^{xcept} . the term at which the conviction was had. When the court adjourns before the expiration of two days from the conviction, the motion shall be made before the adjournment.

ART. 780. All motions for new trials shall be in writing and shall set Motion for new forth distinctly the grounds upon which the new trial is asked.

ART. 781. The state may take issue with the defendant upon the State may contruth of the causes set forth in the motion for a new trial, and in such of causes set case the judge shall hear evidence by affidavit or otherwise and deter- forth, etc. mine the issue.

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The effect of a new trial is to place the cause in the same Effect of a new ART. 783. position in which it was before any trial had taken place. The former C.C.P. 674. conviction shall be regarded as no presumption of guilt, nor shall it be alluded to in the argument.

ART. 784. If a new trial be refused, a statement of facts may be When new trial is refused drawn up and certified and placed in the record as in civil suits. Where statement of the defendant has failed to move for a new trial he is, nevertheless, facts, etc. C.C.P. 673, entitled, if he appeals, to have a statement of the facts certified and sent up with the record.

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ART. 786. The motion must be made within two days after the con-Mnst be made viction; or, if the court adjourn before the expiration of two days from in two days, such conviction, then it may be made at any time before the final adjournment of the court for the term.

ART. 787. A motion in arrest of judgment shall be granted upon any shall be ground which would be good upon exception to an indictment or informa-tion for any substantial defact the second tion for any substantial defect therein.

ART. 788. No judgment shall be arrested for want of form.

ART. 789. The effect of arresting a judgment is to place the defendant Effect of ar in the same position he was before the indictment or information was presented; and if the court be satisfied from the evidence that he may be convicted upon a proper indictment or information, he shall be remanded into custody, or bailed, as the case may require.

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10. That the defendant be punished as it has been determined by the jury in cases where they have the right to determine the amount or the duration and the place of punishment in accordance with the nature and terms of the punishment prescribed in the verdict.

ART. 792. A "sentence" is the order of the court, made in presence of the defendant, and entered of record, pronouncing the judgment and ordering the same to be carried into execution in the manner prescribed. by law.

ART. 793. If a new trial is not granted, nor the judgment arrested, in cases of felony, the sentence shall be pronounced in presence of the defendant at any time after the expiration of the time allowed for making the motion for a new trial or the motion in arrest of judgment.

ART. 794. When an appeal is taken in cases of felony, where the verdict prescribes the death penalty, sentence shall not be pronounced, but shall be suspended until the decision of the court of appeals has been received. In all other cases of felony sentence shall be pronounced before the appeal is taken; and, upon the affirmance of the judgment by the court of appeals, the clerk thereof shall at once transmit the mandate of the court to the clerk of the court from which the appeal was taken, there to be duly recorded in the minute-book of said court, and a certified copy of this record, under the seal of the court, shall be sufficient authority to authorize and require the sheriff to execute the sentence without further delay.

ABT. 795. In cases where a conviction takes place so late in the term of the court as not to allow the two days' time for making a motion for a new trial, or in arrest of judgment, the sentence may be pronounced at any

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time before the court finally adjourns; provided, that in every case at least six hours shall be allowed for making either of these motions.

ART. 796. If, at the time a verdict is returned into court, there be less same subject. than six hours remaining before the court by law must adjourn, it shall be lawful and shall be the duty of the district judge to sit during the whole of Saturday night and Sunday for the purpose of enabling the defendant to move for a new trial or in arrest of judgment and prepare his cause for the court of appeals. This article shall not require the district judge to sit longer than six hours after verdict rendered, if a motion for a new trial or in arrest of judgment shall not have been filed.

ART. 797. Where, from any cause whatever, there is a failure to enter Where there has been a failudgment and pronounce sentence upon conviction during the term, the ure to enter the term. judgment may be entered and sentence pronounced at any succeeding judgment, e term of the court, unless a new trial has been granted, or the judgment arrested, or an appeal has been taken.

Before pronouncing sentence in a case of felony the defend- Before sen-ART. 798. ant shall be asked whether he has anything to say why the sentence should nounced denot be pronounced against him.

The only reasons which can be shown on account of which Reasons which will prevent ART. 799. sentence can not be pronounced are:

1. That the defendant has received a pardon from the proper authority, on the presentation of which, legally authenticated, he shall be discharged.

2. That the defendant is insane; and if sufficient proof be shown to satisfy the court that the allegation is well founded, no sentence shall be And where there is sufficient time left a jury may be pronounced. impaneled to try the issue. Where sufficient time does not remain the court shall order the defendant to be confined safely until the next term of the court, and shall then cause a jury to be impaneled to try such issue.

3. Where there has not been a motion for a new trial, or a motion in arrest of judgment made, the defendant may answer that he has good grounds for either or both of these motions, and either or both motions may be immediately entered and disposed of although more than two days may have elapsed since the rendition of the verdict.

4. When a person who has been convicted of felony escapes after conviction and before sentence, and an individual supposed to be the same has been arrested, he may, before sentence is pronounced, deny that he is the person convicted, and an issue be accordingly tried before a jury as to his identity.

Where the same defendant has been convicted in two or where two or ART. 800. more cases at the same term of the court, and the punishment assessed in tions of same each case is confinement in the penitentiary for a term of years, judg-defendant at ment and sentence shall be rendered and pronounced in each case in the are had. same manner as if there had been but one conviction, except that the judgment in the second and subsequent convictions shall be that the punishment shall begin when the judgment and sentence in the preceding conviction has ceased to operate, and the sentence and the execution thereof shall be accordingly.

Where the sentence of death is pronounced against a con-sentence of ART. 801. vict, a time shall be set for the execution of the same, not earlier than death. C.C.P. 689. thirty days from the date of the sentence.

ART. 802. The clerk of the district court shall issue a warrant for the Warrant for execution of the sentence of death, which shall recite the fact of convic-death generation of the sentence of death, which shall recite the fact of convic-tion setting forth specifically the offense and the judgment of the court. tion, setting forth specifically the offense and the judgment of the court, the time fixed for its execution and the manner in which it is to be executed.

ART. 803. When from any cause the warrant provided for in the pre-Another warceding article can not be executed at the time specified therein for the issue, when.

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execution of the same, the sheriff shall forthwith return such warrant to the clerk who issued the same, indorsing thereon the reason why the same has not been executed; and shall at the same time report, in writing, to the judge of the district court having jurisdiction over the case, either in term time or in vacation, the fact that such warrant has not been executed, and the reason why the same was not executed; and such judge shall thereupon fix another time for the execution of such sentence, and shall issue his written order to the proper clerk, directing such clerk to issue another warrant for the execution of such sentence, specifying in such order the time fixed for the execution thereof; and the clerk shall file such order among the papers in the case, and immediately issue a warrant accordingly, and the execution of such warrant shall proceed as in the first instance.

TT. JUDGMENT IN CASES OF MISDEMEANOR.

The judgment in cases of misdemeanor may be rendered in ART. 804. the absence of the defendant.

When the punishment assessed against a defendant is a ART. 805. pecuniary fine only, the judgment shall be that the State of Texas recover of the defendant the amount of such fine and all the costs of the prosecution, and that the defendant, if present, be committed to jail until such fine and costs are paid; or, if the defendant be not present, that a capias forthwith issue commanding the sheriff to arrest the defendant and commit him to jail until such fine and costs are paid. Also, that execution may issue against the property of such defendant for the amount of such fine and costs.

When the punishment assessed is any other than a pecuni-ART. 806. ary fine, the judgment shall specify it and shall order its enforcement by the proper process. It shall also adjudge the costs against the defendant and order the collection thereof, as in other cases.

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2. When the same have been remitted by the proper authority.

3. When the defendant has remained in custody the length of time required by law to satisfy the amount of such judgment as hereinafter provided.

ART. 808. All recognizances, bail-bonds and undertakings of any kind, Recognizances whereby a party becomes bound to pay money to the state, and all fines lawful money. and forfeitures of a necuniary character, shall be collected in the lawful C.C.P. 702. and forfeitures of a pecuniary character, shall be collected in the lawful money of the United States, only.

ART. 809. When judgment has been rendered against a defendant when judg-for a pecuniary fine, if he is present, he shall be imprisoned in jail until ment is fine and defendant discharged as provided in article 805, and a certified copy of such judg- is present, etc. ment shall be sufficient to authorize such imprisonment without further warrant or process.

ART. 810. When a pecuniary fine has been adjudged against a defend- when defendant, and he is not present, a capias shall forthwith issue for his arrest, and ant is not pres-the sheriff shall execute the same by placing the defendant in jail until he shall issue. is legally discharged.

Where a capias issues, as provided in the preceding article, Capias shall ART. 811. it shall state the rendition and amount of the judgment and the amount rec cite what. C.C.P. 700. unpaid thereon, and command the sheriff to take the body of the defendant and place him in jail until the amount due upon such judgment, and the further costs of collecting the same are paid, or until the defendant is This writ is sufficient authority to justify otherwise legally discharged. the commitment of the defendant to jail.

ART. 812. The capias provided for in this chapter may be issued to Capias may any county in the state, and shall be executed and returned as in other county in the cases, except that no bail shall be taken in such cases. state, etc.

In all cases of pecuniary fine an execution may issue for Execution may ART. 813. the fine and costs, notwithstanding a capias may have issued for the issue or fine and costs. defendant, and a capias may issue for the defendant, notwithstanding an execution has been issued against his property. The execution shall be collected and returned as in civil actions.

When the execution has been collected the defendant shall when execu-tion is satis-ART. 814. be at once discharged, and whenever the fine and costs have been legally fied, etc. discharged in any way, the execution shall forthwith be returned satisfied and the defendant discharged.

ART. 815. When a defendant has been committed to jail in default of Further en-the fine and costs adjudged against him, the further enforcement of such the judgment. judgment shall be in accordance with the law of this state relating to county convicts.

When a defendant is convicted of a misdemeanor, and his Judgment for ART. 816. punishment is assessed at a pecuniary fine, if he make oath in writing that he suggested at a becuniary fine, if he make oath in writing that be discharged he is unable to pay the fine and costs adjudged against him, he may be by imprisonment when hired out to manual labor, or be put to work in the manual labor workhouse, or on the manual labor farm, or public improvements of the county; or, in case there be no such work-house, farm or improvements, and in case the county authorities fail to hire out such convict in accordance with the law regulating county convicts, he shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a sufficient length of time to discharge the full amount of the fine and costs adjudged against him, rating such punishment at three dollars for each day thereof.

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ART. 817. When, by the judgment of the court, a defendant is to be Defendant imprisoned in jail, the sheriff shall execute the same by imprisoning the shall be im-prisoned, and for this copy of judgdefendant for the length of time required by the judgment, and for this copy of judg-ment sufficient purpose a certified copy of such judgment shall be sufficient authority for authority. C.C.P. 704 the sheriff.

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ART. 818. When a capias is directed to be issued for the apprehension and commitment of a person convicted of a misdemeanor, the penalty of which, or any part thereof, is imprisonment in jail, the writ shall recite the judgment and command the sheriff to place the defendant in jail, to remain the length of time therein fixed, and this writ shall be sufficient to authorize the sheriff to enforce such judgment.

ART. 819. When a defendant has remained in jail the length of time required by the judgment he shall be discharged, and the sheriff shall then return the copy of the judgment, or the capias under which the defendant was imprisoned, to the proper court, stating how the same has been executed.

III. ENFORCING JUDGMENT IN FELONIES LESS THAN CAPITAL.

Note.—Chapter 132, acts 1879, authorizes contracts to be made with responsible persons to receive and safely transport all convicts to the penitentiary, provided such contract can be made as will reduce the expense of transportation below the present cost. During the existence of such contract, all laws concerning transportation of convicts are suspended. If the contractor fail or refuse to call on the sheriff of any county for any convict, within a given time after the adjournment of the court in which the convict was tried, then the sheriff is to proceed to convey such convict to the penitentiary. (See also acts 1879, extra session, chapter 29.)—L.

ART. 820. Immediately after final sentence shall have been pronounced the convict shall be conveyed to the penitentiary by the sheriff of the county where the conviction took place, at the expense of the state; *provided*, that when there are more convicts than one to be transported at the same term of the court, they shall all be conveyed at one time unless for good cause shown the court shall order otherwise.

ART. 821. The sheriff shall employ a sufficient guard, under the direction of the district judge, whose certificate shall be sufficient evidence to authorize the proper officer of the penitentiary to allow and the comptroller to audit the same; and the sum allowed, together with the compensation provided by law for the sheriff for such service, shall be paid by the state out of the appropriation for that purpose.

ART. 822. The clerk of the court, in which any conviction has been had, shall furnish the sheriff with a certified copy of the judgment and sentence of the court, which shall be sufficient to authorize the sheriff to convey such convict and deliver him to the proper officer of the penitentiary.

ÅRT. 823. The clerk shall also at the same time furnish the sheriff with a certificate, under his official seal, showing the name, age and previous occupation, if known, of the convict.

ART. 824. The sheriff shall deliver the convict, together with the certified copy of the judgment and sentence, and the certificate of the clerk as provided for in the two preceding articles, to the superintendent of the penitentiary, who shall receipt the sheriff, in writing, for such convict, and the sheriff shall deliver such receipt to the clerk of the court before which the conviction was had, and the same shall be filed and safely kept among the papers in the case.

ART. 825. The further execution of the judgment and sentence shall be in accordance with the provisions of the law governing the penitentiaries of the state. The term shall commence from the time of sentence, or, in case of appeal, from the time of the affirmance of the sentence by the court of appeals.

IV. ENFORCING JUDGMENT IN CAPITAL CASES.

t ART. 826. The warrant for the execution of the sentence of death may be carried into effect at any time after eleven o'clock, and before sunset, on the day stated in such warrant.

. ART. 827. The sentence of death shall be executed by hanging the convict by the neck until he is dead.

ART. 828. Where there is a jail in the county, and it is so constructed blace within that a gallows can be erected therein, the execution of the sentence of the walls of death shall take place within the walls of the jail. death shall take place within the walls of the jail.

ART. 829. Where the sentence of death is executed within the walls who shall be of the county jail, the sheriff shall notify any number of physicians or present surgeons, not exceeding six, any number of justices of the peace of his county, not exceeding four, and any number of freeholders in the county, not exceeding six, any or all of whom may be present, together with such deputies of the sheriff as he may require to be in attendance when

the penalty of death is executed. ART. 830. The sheriff shall comply with any reasonable request of Reasonable re-the convict; and where the execution takes place within the walls of the victor procounty jail, shall permit such persons to be present (not exceeding five) as he may name.

ART. 831. No torture, or ill-treatment, or unnecessary pain shall be No vorture shall be ininflicted upon a prisoner to be executed under the sentence of the law. flicted. C.C.P. 713.

The sheriff may, when he supposes there will be a neces- sheriff may ART. 832. sity, order such number of citizens of his county, or any military or order military militia company, to aid in preventing the rescue of a prisoner, or to pre-vent persons not authorized to be present from intruding themselves vent persons not authorized to be present from intruding themselves within the place of execution.

ART. 833. When the execution can not take place in the county jail when execu-tion can not take place in the county for the purpose, and take place such place shall be as private as he can conveniently find, and publicity in jail. in the execution shall be avoided as far as practicable.

ART. 834. The body of a convict shall be decently buried at the Body of a convict shall be decently buried at the Body of a convict shall be expense of the county, unless demanded by his relatives or friends, in buried, how. which case it shall be given to them, and shall never, unless by consent of the convict himself, before execution, be delivered to any person for dissection.

The sheriff shall immediately return the warrant, stating in sheriff shall re-ART. 835. his return, indorsed thereon, or attached thereto-

1. The fact, time, place and mode of execution.

2. If the execution do not take place within the jail, the return shall state that there is no jail, or that it is not so constructed that a gallows could have been erected therein.

3. If the execution take place within the jail, the return shall state the names of the physicians, justices of the peace, and freeholders present, and the names of all other persons present, if any, and the authority by which they were present.

4. If the execution do not take place within the jail, the return shall state the names of five freeholders of the county who were present.

5. That the body of the convict was decently buried, or delivered to his relatives or friends, naming them, or to some other person, by consent of the convict, naming such person, and naming two or more witnesses to the fact that the convict consented that his body might be delivered to such person.

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ARTICLE 836. The state shall have no right of appeal in criminal actions.

ART. 837. A defendant in any criminal action, upon conviction, has the right of appeal under the rules hereinafter prescribed.

ART. 838. Appeals from judgments rendered by the district or county court, in criminal actions, shall be heard by the court of appeals.

ART. 839. Appeals from judgments rendered by justices of the peace and other inferior courts, in criminal actions, shall be heard by the county court, except in counties where there is a criminal district court, in which counties such appeals shall be heard by such criminal district courts.

ART. 840. The defendant to a criminal action need not be personally present upon the hearing of his cause in the court of appeals; but he may appear in person in cases where, by law, he is not committed to jail upon appeal.

ART. 841. Where the defendant appeals in any case of felony, he shall be committed to jail until the decision of the court of appeals can be made and received.

State can not appeal. (Const., art. 5, §26.) Defendant may appeal.

From district and county court to court of appeals. From justices of the peace to county court.

Defendant need not be present in court of appeals. C.C.P. 740.

In case of felony defendant shall be placed

in jail. C.C.P. 721. ART. 842. If the jail of the county is unsafe, or there be no jam, the defendant judge of the district court may, either in term time or in vacation, order shall be con-fined in jail of the prisoner to be committed to the jail of the nearest county in his another county district which is safe.

ART. 843. An appeal in a felony case may be prosecuted immediately Appeal may be to the term of the court of appeals pending at the time the appeal is immediately. taken, or to the first term of such court after such appeal, without regard (Act Aug. 21 to the law governing appeals in other cases; and it shall be the duty of the clerk, upon the application of either the state or the defendant, to make out and forward, without delay, to the court of appeals, wherever it may be in session, or, if not in session, to the clerk of said court where it will next be in session, a transcript of the case.

ART. 844. The transcript may be filed in the court of appeals, and the When the case tried and determined in said court, while the district court in which be filed, etc. the conviction was had is yet in session; and upon an affirmance of the judgment of conviction by the court of appeals, sentence may be pronounced by the district court at the same term at which the conviction was had, or any term thereafter.

ART. 845. In case the defendant, pending an appeal in a felony case, where defend shall make his escape from custody, the jurisdiction of the court of ant escapes appeals shall no longer attach in the case; and, upon the fact of such appeal escape being made to appear, the court shall, on motion of the attorney- (Act to adopt general, or attorney representing the state, dismiss the appeal; but the and establish order dismissing the appeal shall be set aside, if it shall be made to appear C.P., passed that the accused had voluntarily returned to the custody of the officer Feb. 21, 1879.) from whom he escaped, within ten days.

When any such escape of a prisoner occurs the sheriff who Sheriff skall re-ART. 846. had him in custody shall immediately report the fact, under oath, to the etc. district or county attorney of the county in which the conviction was had, who shall forthwith forward such report to the attorney-general at the court to which the transcript was sent; and such report shall be sufficient evidence of the fact of such escape to authorize the dismissal of the appeal.

ART. 847. An appeal may be taken by the defendant at any time Appeal may be taken, when. C.C.P. 725. during the term of the court at which the conviction is had.

An appeal is taken by giving notice thereof in open court, Appeal is taken, how. he same entered of record. ART. 848. and having the same entered of record.

The effect of an appeal is to suspend and arrest all further Effect of ART. 849. proceedings in the case in the court in which the conviction was had appeal. until the judgment of the appellate court is received by the court from which the appeal was taken.

Where the defendant in a felony case fails to appeal Appeal in felo-ART. 850. Where the detendant in a force, sub-until after sentence has been pronounced, the appeal shall, nevertheless, sentence, C.C.P. 728. ART. 850. be allowed, if demanded, and has the effect of superceding the execution of the sentence and all other proceedings as fully as if taken at the proper time.

When the defendant appeals in any case of misdemeanor when defend-ART. 851. from the judgment of the district or county court, he shall, if he be in misdemeanor custody, committed to jail, unless he enter into recognizance to appear must give re-as hereinafter required; and if he be not in custody, his notice of appeal C.O.P. 722. shall have no effect whatever until he enter into recognizance.

ART. 852. In appeals in cases of misdemeanor, the following form of Form of recogrecognizance shall be considered sufficient:

"STATE OF TEXAS,) No.....

B.....) Α..... defendant in the above entitled cause, who, together with C..... D......

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appeal. (Act April 26, 1871, p. 61.) P.D. 6599,

and E....., his sureties, acknowledge themselves severally indebted to the State of Texas in the penal sum of......dollars; conditioned, that the said A, who stands charged in this court with the offense of, and who has been convicted of said offense in this court, shall appear before this court from day to day, and from term to term of the same, and not depart without leave of this court, in order to abide the judgment of the court of appeals of the State of Texas in this case."

The amount of such recognizance shall be fixed by the court in which the judgment was rendered, and the sufficiency of the security thereon shall be tested, and the same proceedings had, in case of forfeiture, as in other cases of recognizance.

Appeal shall ART. 853. The court of appeals shall not entertain jurisdiction of any not be enter-tained without case in which a recognizance is required by law unless such recognizance shall comply substantially with the form presented in the preceding article.

> In appeals from the judgments of justices of the peace and ART. 854. other inferior courts to the county court, the defendant shall, if he be in custody, be committed to jail, unless he give bond, with good and sufficient security, to be approved by the court from whose judgment the appeal is taken, in an amount not less than double the amount of the fines and costs adjudged against him; conditioned, that he shall prosecute his appeal with effect, and shall pay such fine and costs as shall be adjudged against him by the county court, as well as other costs that may have been adjudged against him in the court below.

> ART. 855. If the defendant is not in custody, a notice of appeal shall have no effect whatever until the required appeal bond has been given and approved; and such appeal bond shall, in all cases, be given within ten days after the judgment of the court, refusing a new trial, has been rendered, and not afterward.

> ART. 856. In all appeals to justices, and other inferior courts, to the county court, the trial shall be de novo, in the county court, the same as if the prosecution had been originally commenced in that court.

> ART. 857. In appeals from justices, and other inferior courts, all the original papers in the case, together with the appeal-bond, if any, and together with a certified transcript of all the proceedings had in the case before such court, including a bill of the costs, shall, without delay, be delivered to the clerk of the county court of the county in which the conviction was had, who shall file the same and docket the case immediately.

ART. 858. In the cases mentioned in the preceding article the witnot be again summoned, etc. nesses who have been already summoned or attached to appear in the case before the court below, shall appear before the county court without further process; and in case of their failure to do so the same proceedings may be had as if they had been originally summoned or attached to appear before the county court.

The rules governing the taking and forfeiture of bail-ART. 859. bonds shall govern appeal-bonds; and the forfeiture and collection of such appeal-bonds shall be in the county court to which such appeal is taken.

ART. 860. It is the duty of the clerk of a court from which an appeal is taken, to prepare, as soon as practicable, a transcript in every case in which an appeal has been taken, which transcript shall contain all the proceedings had in the case, and shall conform to the rules governing transcripts in civil cases.

The clerk shall prepare transcripts in felony cases that ART. 861. have been appealed in preference to cases of misdemeanor, and shall prepare the transcripts in all criminal cases appealed in preference to civil cases.

sufficient recognizance. Id. P.D. 6600.

Appeal from justices' and other inferior courts. (Act Aug. 17, 1876, p. 167, §§37, 38.)

Appeal-bond shall be given within what time.

Trial in county court shall be de novo. (Const., art. 5, §16.) Original papers, etc., shall be sent up.

Witnesses need

Rules governing the taking, etc., of appeal-bonds.

Clerk shall pre-pare transcript in all cases appealed. C.C.P. 729.

Transcript in felony case to be prepared fizst fir C.C.P. 729.

ART. 862. As soon as a transcript is prepared, the clerk shall forward Clerk snall the same, by mail or other safe conveyance, charges paid, inclosed in an transcript. C.C.P. 731. envelope, securely sealed, directed to the proper clerk of the court of appeals.

appeals. ART. 863. The clerk shall, immediately after the adjournment of the Alist of ap-court, at which appeals in criminal actions may have been taken, make shall be made out a certificate under his seal of office, exhibiting a list of all such causes by the clerk which have been decided, and in which the defendant has appealed. This etc. C.C.P. 732. certificate shall show the style of the cause upon the docket-the offense of which the defendant stands accused-the day on which judgment was rendered, and the day on which the appeal was taken-which certified list he shall transmit, post-paid, to the clerk of the court of appeals, at the proper place.

ART. 864. The clerk of the court of appeals shall file the certificate Clerk of court provided for in the preceding article, and notify the attorney-general that shall file transcript, etc. C.C.P. 733. the same has been received.

ART. 865. When it appears by the certificate provided for in the pre-when tran-ceding article that an appeal has been taken in any case, in which the received the transcript has not been received by the clerk of the court of appeals, proper clerk shall be not-within the time required by law for filing transcripts in civil actions, the field. clerk of the court of appeals shall immediately notify the clerk of the proper court, by mail, that such transcript has not been received.

ART. 866. The clerk receiving notification, as provided in the pre-Another tran-script shall be ceding article, shall, without delay, prepare and forward another transcript forwarded, of the case, as in the first instance, and shall notify the clerk of the court when of appeals, by letter sent by mail, of the fact that such transcript has been forwarded, and the day on which and the manner in which the same was forwarded.

ART. 867. The clerk of the court of appeals shall receive, file and Transcript docket appeals in criminal actions, under the same rules which govern and docketed appeals in civil actions; except, in cases of felony, a transcript may be as in civil ac-tions, except, filed and the case heard and determined at any time during the term to etc. C.C.P. 739. which the appeal is taken.

The court of appeals shall hear and determine appeals in Appeals shall be heard, etc., ART. 868. criminal actions at the earliest time it may be done with due regard to the when rights of parties and a proper administration of justice.

The court of appeals may affirm the judgment of the court Court of ap ART. 869. below, or may reverse and remand for a new trial, or may reverse and what dismiss the case, or may reform and correct the judgment as the law and C.C.P. 742. the nature of the case may require.

ART. 870. The court of appeals may revise the judgment in a criminal Cause shall be remanded, action, as well upon the law as upon the facts; but, when a cause is when reversed for the reason that the verdict is contrary to the weight of evidence, the same shall, in all cases, be remanded for a new trial.

ART. 871. As soon as the judgment of the court of appeals is ren-dered, the clerk shall make out the proper certificate of the proceedings when had and judgment rendered, and transmit the same by mail to the clerk of the proper court of appeals is rendered. of the proper court, or deliver the mandate to the defendant or his counsel, when the decision is favorable to the defendant, if requested to do so, unless he is instructed by the court to withhold the mandate to any particular time.

When the certificate of the judgment and proceedings in Mandate shall ART. 872. the court of appeals shall be received by the proper clerk, he shall file the be filed, etc. C.C.P. 746. same with the original papers of the cause and note the same upon the docket of the cause.

ART. 873. In cases of felony, where the judgment is affirmed, if the sentence shall district court be in session when the mandate is received, that court shall be pronounced in felony case, proceed to pronounce sentence during the term at which the mandate when.

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is received; or, in case sentence can not then be pronounced, it may be pronounced at the next or any subsequent term of such court.

ART. 874. If the mandate be received in vacation, and the judgment in a case of felony has been affirmed, sentence shall be pronounced during the term of the court next succeeding the time at which the same was received; or, in case it can not then be pronounced, at any subsequent term of the court.

ART. 875. In cases of misdemeanor, where the judgment has been affirmed, no proceedings need be had after filing the mandate, except to forfeit the recognizance of the defendant, or to issue a capias for the defendant, or an execution against his property to enforce the judgment of the court, whether of fine or imprisonment, or both, in the same manner as if no appeal had been taken.

ART. $8\overline{76}$. Where the court of appeals awards a new trial to the defendant, the cause shall stand as it would have stood in case the new trial had been granted by the court below.

ART. 877. Where the defendant's motion in arrest of judgment was overruled, and it is decided on appeal that the same ought to have been sustained, the cause shall stand as if the motion had been sustained, unless the court of appeals, in its judgment, direct the cause to be dismissed and the defendant wholly discharged.

ART. 878. Where the court of appeals reverses a judgment and directs the cause to be dismissed, the defendant, if in custody, must be discharged; and the clerk of the court of appeals shall transmit to the officer having custody of the defendant an order to that effect.

ART. 879. When a felony case upon appeal is reversed and remanded for a new trial, the defendant shall be released from custody upon his giving bail as in other cases where he is entitled to bail, and the clerk of the court of appeals shall transmit to the officer having custody of the defendant an order to that effect.

ART. 880. The court of appeals may make rules of procedure as to the hearing of criminal actions upon appeal; but in every case at least two counsel for the defendant shall be heard, if they desire it, either by brief or by oral or written argument, or by both, as such counsel shall deem proper.

ART. 881. When the defendant appeals from the judgment rendered on the hearing of an application under *habeas corpus*, a transcript of the proceedings in the cause shall be made out and certified to, together with all the testimony offered, and shall be sent up to the court of appeals for revision. This transcript, when the proceeding takes place before a court in session, shall be prepared and certified by the clerk thereof; but when had before a judge in vacation the transcript may be prepared by any person under the direction of the judge and certified by such judge.

ART. 882. The defendant need not be personally present upon the hearing of an appeal in cases of *habeas corpus*.

Habcas corpus ART. 883. Cases of habcas corpus taken to the court of appeals, by cases heard at appeal, shall be heard at the earliest practicable time. C.C.P. 757.

ART. 884. The appeal in a *habeas corpus* case shall be heard and determined upon the law and the facts arising upon the record, and no incidental question, which may have arisen on the hearing of the application before the court below, shall be revised. The only design of the appeal is to do substantial justice to the party appealing.

appeal is to do substantial justice to the party appealing. ART. 885. The court of appeals shall enter such judgment and make such orders as the law and the nature of the case may require, and may make such order relative to the costs in the case as may seem right, allowing costs and fixing the amount, or allowing no costs at all.

In cases of misdemeanor when judgment has been affirmed. C.C.P. 749.

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ART. 886. The judgment of the court of appeals, in appeals under Judgment of habeas corpus, shall be final and conclusive, and no further application in peaks conduhabeas corpus, shall be final and conclusive, and he takes specially pro-sive, etc., except in cases specially pro-cept, etc. C.C.P. 759.

ART. 887. If an officer, holding a person in custody, fails to obey the officer failing mandate of the court of appeals, he is guilty of an offense and punishable to obey man-according to the provisions of the Penal Code.

If the appellant, in a case of habeas corpus, be detained by Where appel-ART. 888. any person other than an officer, the sheriff shall, upon receiving the man-date of the court of appeals, immediately cause the person so held to be pus is detained discharged, and the mandate shall be sufficient authority therefor. C.C.P. 761.

ART. 889. The judgment of the court of appeals shall be certified by Clerk shall cer-the clerk thereof to the officer holding the defendant in custody, or, when the judg-he is held by any person other than an officer, to the sheriff of the proper C.C.P. 759. he is held by any person other than an officer, to the sheriff of the proper county.

ART. 890. When by the judgment of the court of appeals, upon cases when bailof habeas corpus, the applicant is ordered to give bail, such judgment bond is required who shall shall be certified to the officer holding him in custody; and if such officer take it be the sheriff the bail-bond may be executed before him; if any other officer, he shall take the person detained before some magistrate, who may receive a bail-bond, and shall file the same in the proper court of the proper county, and such bond shall have the same force and effect as a recognizance, and may be forfeited and enforced in the same manner.

ART. 891. An appeal may be taken either by the state or defendant Appeal from from every final judgment rendered upon a recognizance, bail-bond, or recognizance, bond taken for the prevention or suppression of offenses, where such etc. C.P. 788a. judgment is for twenty dollars or more, exclusive of costs, but not otherwise, and the proceedings in such cases shall be regulated by the same rules which are prescribed in other civil suits.

The state or the defendant may also have any such judg- Defendant en-ART. 892. ment as is mentioned in the preceding article, and which may have been writ of error. rendered in the district or county court, revised upon writ of error as in other civil suits.

ART. 893. In the cases provided for in the two preceding articles the Same rules proceedings shall be regulated by the same rules that govern the other civil suits. civil actions where an appeal is taken or a writ of error is sued out.

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TITLE XI.

Of Proceedings in Criminal Actions before Justices of the Peace, Mayors and Becorders.

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Warrant issued by mayor directed to whom. C.C.P. **8**16.

Warrant issued by mayor, etc., may be executed where,

ARTICLE 894. The mayor, or the officer by law exercising the duties usually incumbent upon the mayors of incorporated towns and cities, and recorders thereof, shall exercise, within the corporate limits of their respective towns or cities, the same criminal jurisdiction which belongs to justices of the peace within their jurisdiction, under the provisions of this Code.

ART. 895. The proceedings before mayors or recorders shall be governed by the same rules which are prescribed for justices of the peace, and every provision of this Code, with respect to a justice, shall be construed to extend to mayors and recorders within the limits of their jurisdiction.

ART. 896. The jurisdiction, given to mayors and recorders of incorporated towns and cities, shall not prevent justices of the peace from exercising the criminal jurisdiction conferred upon them; but in all cases where there is an incorporated town or city within the bounds of a county, the justice and the mayor, or recorder, shall have concurrent jurisdiction within the limits of such town or city. And no person shall be punished twice for the same act or omission, although such act or omission may be an offense against the penal laws of the state, as well as against the ordinances of such city or town; *provided*, that no ordinance of a city or town shall be valid which provides a less penalty for any act, omission or offense, than is prescribed by the Statutes, where such act or omission is an offense against the state.

ART. 897. Warrants issued by a mayor or recorder are directed to the marshal or other proper officer of the town or city where the criminal proceeding is had; but in case there be no such officer the process issued by a mayor or recorder shall be directed to any peace officer within the city, town or county, and shall be executed by such officer.

ART. 898. When the party, for whose arrest a warrant is issued by a mayor or recorder, is not to be found within the limits of the incorporation, the same may be executed anywhere within the limits of the county in which such incorporation is included by the marshal or other proper officer of such town or city, or by any peace officer of such county, and may be executed in any county in the state under the same rules governing warrants of arrest issued by a justice of the peace.

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ART. 899. Each justice of the peace, mayor and recorder shall keep a Justices, etc. shall keep a docket in which he shall enter the proceedings in all examinations and criminal dock trials for criminal offenses had before him, which docket shall show-

1. The style of the action.

2. The nature of the offense charged.

3. The date of the issuance of the warrant and the return made thereon. 4. The time when the examination or trial was had, and, if the same

was a trial, whether it was by a jury or by himself.

5. The verdict of the jury, if any.

6. The judgment of the court.

7. Motion for new trial, if any, and the action of the court thereon.

8. Notice of appeal, if any.

9. The time when, and the manner in which the judgment was enforced.

ART. 900. At each term of the district court each justice of the peace, Justice, etc., mayor and recorder in each county shall, on the first day of the term of script of dock-said court for their county, file with the clerk of said court a certified tran- et with clerk of script of the docket kept by such justice, mayor or recorder, as required etc. by the preceding article, of all criminal cases examined or tried before him since the last term of such district court; and the clerk of such court shall immediately deliver such transcript to the foreman of the grand jury.

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crime, etc	

ARTICLE 901. Whenever a criminal offense, which a justice of the Warrant may peace has jurisdiction to try, shall be committed within the view of such issue without instigation ho may issue his manual for the track of the first state of the track of t justice, he may issue his warrant for the arrest of the offender.

ART. 902. Upon complaint being made before any justice of the peace, when com-or any other officer authorized by law to administer oaths, that an offense shall be rehas been committed in the county which a justice of the peace has juris- duced to diction finally to try, the justice or other officer shall reduce the same to (Act Aug. 17, writing, and cause the same to be signed and sworn to by the complainant; and it shall be duly attested by such justice or other officer before whom it was made; and when made before such justice, or when returned to him, made before any other officer, the same shall be filed by him.

ART. 903. Such complaint shall state-

1. The name of the accused, if known; and if unknown, shall describe state mas accurately as practicable. him as accurately as practicable.

2. The offense with which he is charged shall be stated in plain and intelligible words.

3. It must appear that the offense was committed in the county in which the complaint is made.

4. It must show, from the date of the offense stated therein, that the offense is not barred by limitation.

Whenever the requirements of the preceding article have warrant shall ART. 904. been complied with, the justice of the peace shall issue a warrant for the issue, when. arrest of the accused and deliver the same to the proper officer to be C.C.P. 821, executed.

when. C.C.P. 819.

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eriminal dock-et which shall show, etc. (Act Aug. 17, 1876, p. 156, §5.) C.C.P. 817.

Requisitos of warrant of arrest. Id.

ART. 905. Said warrant shall be deemed sufficient if it contain the following requisites:

1. It shall issue in the name of the State of Texas.

2. It shall be directed to the proper sheriff, constable or marshal, or some other person specially named therein.

3. It shall command that the body of the accused be taken and brought before the authority issuing the warrant at a time and place therein named.

4. It must state the name of the person whose arrest is ordered, if it be known; and if not known he must be described as in the complaint.

5. It must state that the person is accused of some offense against the laws of the state, naming the offense.

6. It must be signed by the justice, and his office named in the body of the warrant, or in connection with his signature.

ART. 906. When a justice of the peace has good cause to believe that an offense has been, or is about to be committed against the laws of this state, he may summon and examine any witness, or witnesses, in relation thereto; and if it shall appear from the statement of any witness or witnesses that an offense has been committed, the justice shall reduce said statements to writing, and cause the same to be sworn to by the witness or witnesses making the same; and thereupon such justice shall issue a warrant for the arrest of the offender, the same as if complaint had been made and filed against such offender.

Witnesses summoned under the preceding article who shall ART. 907. be fined, etc.. refuse to appear and make a statement of facts under oath, shall be for refusing to guilty of a contempt of court, and may be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars, and may be attached and imprisoned until they make such statement.

> Any peace officer into whose hands a warrant may come ART. 908. shall execute the same by arresting the person accused and bringing him forthwith before the proper magistrate, or by taking bail for his appearance before such magistrate, as the case may be.

ART. 909. A justice of the peace may, when he deems it necessary, authorize any person other than a peace officer to execute a warrant of Act Aug. 17, arrest by naming such person specially in the warrant, and in such case (Act Aug. 17, 186, §33.) such person shall have the same powers and shall be subject to the same rules that are conferred upon and govern peace officers in like cases.

Whenever complaint is made before any justice of the ART. 910. peace that a felony has been committed in any other than the county in which the complaint is made, it shall be the duty of such justice to issue his warrant for the arrest of the accused, directed as in other cases, commanding that the accused be arrested and taken before the county judge, or any magistrate of the county where such felony is alleged to have been committed, forthwith, for examination, as in other cases.

Justice may summon wit-nesses to dis-close crime, etc. (Act Aug. 17, 1876, p. 166, §31.)

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ARTICLE 911. When the defendant is brought before the justice he Justice shall shall proceed to try the cause without delay, unless good ground be out delay. shown for a postponement thereof, in which case he may postpone the trial to any time not longer than five days, and may, if he deem proper, require the defendant to give bail for his appearance; and if, when required, he fails to give bail he shall be kept in custody until the final determination of the cause.

ART. 912. The defendant, in case of misdemeanor of which a justice Defendant of the peace has jurisdiction to finally try and determine, may waive a may waive trial by jury. trial by jury, and in such case the justice shall proceed to hear and determine the case without a jury.

ART. 913. If the defendant does not waive a trial by jury the justice Jury shall be shall issue a writ commanding the proper officer to summon forthwith a defendant does jury of six men, qualified to serve as jurors in the county; and said jurors, not waive same. jury of six men, qualinet to serve as jurors in the court, in all cases that (Act Aug. 17, (Act Aug. 17, 1876, p. 167, §35.)) may come up for hearing until discharged by the court.

ART. 914. Any person summoned as a juror, who fails to attend, may Juror may be be fined by the justice, as for contempt, not exceeding twenty dollars.

ART. 915. If the warrant has been issued upon a complaint made to Complaint, etc. the justice, the complaint and warrant shall be read to the defendant. defendant. defendant. If issued by the justice without previous complaint, he shall state to the defendant the accusation against him.

ART. 916. A defendant shall not be discharged by reason of any Defendant informality in the complaint or warrant; and the proceeding before the justice shall be conducted without reference to technical rules.

ART. 917. In all trials by a jury, before a justice of the peace, the Challenge of state and each of the defendants in the case shall be entitled to three (Act Aug. 17, peremptory challenges, and also to any number of challenges for cause, 1876, p. 160, \$12.) which cause shall be judged of by the justice.

ART. 918. If from challenges, or any other cause, a sufficient number Other jurors of jurors are not in attendance, the justice shall order the proper officer shall be sum-moned, when. to summon a sufficient number of qualified persons to form the jury.

ART. 919. The following oath or affirmation shall be administered by Oath to be administered to the justice of the peace to the jury in each case: "You, and each of you, jury. do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that you will well and [Act Aug. 17, 186, p. 160, 813, truly try the cause about to be submitted to you, and a true verdict render O.C.P. 834. truly try the cause about to be submitted to you, and a true verdict render therein, according to the law and the evidence, so help you God."

ART. 920. After impaneling the jury the defendant shall be required Defendant shall plead etc. to plead, and he may plead "guilty" or "not guilty," or the special plea named in the succeeding article.

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fined, etc. C.C.P. 826.

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in one day. When new trial

is granted an-other trial without delay. Only one new trial shall be granted. State not enti-tled to new trial. Notice of appeal.

The only special plea allowed is that of former acquittal or ART. 921. conviction for the same offense.

ART. 922. All pleading in the justices' courts, in criminal actions, is oral; but the justice shall note upon his docket the nature of the plea offered.

ART. 923. If the defendant plead "guilty" proof shall be heard as to the offense, and the punishment shall be assessed by the jury or by the justice when a jury has been waived by the defendant.

ART. 924. If the defendant refuse to plead the justice shall enter the plea of "not guilty," and the cause proceed accordingly.

ART. 925. If the state be represented by counsel he may examine the witnesses and argue the cause; if the state is not represented the witnesses shall be examined by the justice.

The defendant has a right to appear by counsel as in all ART. 926. appear by counsel argue other cases, but not more than one attorney shall conduct either the ment of counsel prosecution or defense, and the counsel for the state may open and conprosecution or defense, and the counsel for the state may open and conclude the argument.

ART. 927. The rules of evidence which govern the trials of criminal actions in the district and county court shall apply also to such actions in justices' courts.

Jury shall be Arr. 928. When the cause is submitted to the jury they shall retire till they agree. In charge of some officer and be kept together until they agree to a ver-C.C.P. 838. dict or are discharged. dict or are discharged.

ART. 929. If a jury fail to agree upon a verdict, after being kept together a reasonable time, they shall be discharged; and if there be time left on the same day another jury shall be impaneled to try the cause; or the justice may adjourn for not more than two days and again impanel a jury for the trial of such cause.

ART. 930. In case of an adjournment the justice shall require the defendant to enter into bail for his appearance, and upon his failure to give bail the defendant may be held in custody.

Art. 931. When the jury have agreed upon a verdict they shall bring have agreed a series of the same into court and the justice shall see that it is in proper form. C.C.P. 842.

ART. 932. The justice shall enter the verdict upon his docket and render the proper judgment thereon.

Whenever, by the provisions of this title, the peace efficer ART. 933. is authorized to retain a defendant in custody, he may place him in jail or any other place where he can be safely kept.

ART. 934. A justice may, for good cause shown, grant the defendant a new trial, whenever such justice shall consider that justice has not been done the defendant in the trial of such case.

ART. 935. An application for a new trial must be made within one day after the rendition of judgment, and not afterward, and the execution of the judgment shall not be stayed until a new trial has been granted.

ART. 936. When a new trial has been granted, the justice shall proceed, as soon as practicable, to try the case again.

ART. 937. Not more than one new trial shall be granted the defendant in the same case.

ART. 938. The state shall in no case be entitled to a new trial.

When a defendant appeals from a judgment in a criminal ART. 939. action he shall give notice of such appeal in open court, and the justice shall enter such notice upon his docket.

ART. 940. When a defendant gives notice of an appeal and files the Effect of appeal. appeal-bond required by law with the justice, all further proceeding in the case in the justice's court shall cease.

ART. 941. All judgments and final orders of a justice of the peace in Judgments, a criminal action, shall be rendered in open court and entered upon his in open court. docket.

CHAPTER FOUR.

OF THE JUDGMENT AND EXECUTION.

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ARTICLE 942. The judgment, in case of conviction in a criminal The judgment. action before a justice of the peace, shall be that the State of Texas recover of the defendant the fine assessed and costs, and that the defendant remain in custody of the sheriff until the fine and costs are paid; and further, that execution issue to collect the same.

ART. 943. If the defendant be not in custody when judgment is ren-dered, or if he escapes from custody thereafter, a capias shall issue for fendant, when. his arrest and confinement in jail until the fine and costs are paid, or he is legally discharged.

ART. 944. In every case of conviction before a justice, and from Execution which conviction no appeal is taken, there shall be issued an execution shall issue for the collection of the fine and costs, which shall be enforced and returned in the manner prescribed by law in civil actions before justices.

ART. 945. If a defendant be placed in jail, on account of failing Defendant to pay the fine and costs, he can be discharged on habeas corpus by may be discharged from showing—

1. That he is too poor to pay the fine and costs.

2. That he has not been afforded the opportunity by the commissioners' court of the county of discharging the fine and costs adjudged against him, as provided in the law relating to county convicts; and further

3. That he has remained in jail a sufficient length of time to satisfy the fine and costs at the rate of three dollars for each day.

But the defendant shall in no case, under this article, be discharged until he has been imprisoned at least ten days; and a justice of the peace may discharge the defendant upon his showing the same cause, by written application, presented to such justice, and upon such application being granted the justice shall note the same on his docket.

ART. 946. Every peace officer is bound to execute all process directed Peace officer bound to exeto him from a justice of the peace.

cute process C.C.P. 850.

Act Aug 1876,p. 162, §17.)

TITLE XII.

Miscellaneous Proceedings.

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insane, a jury shall be impaneled to try the issue. ART. 948. Information to the court as to the insanity of a defendant may be given by the written affidavit of any respectable person, setting forth that there is good reason to believe that the defendant has become insane.

ARTICLE 947. If it be made known to the court at any time after conviction, or if the court has good reason to believe that a defendant is

ART. 949. For the purpose of trying the question of insanity the court shall impanel a jury as in the case of a criminal action.

ART. 950. The counsel for the defendant has the right to open and conclude the argument upon the trial of an issue as to insanity.

ART. 951. If the defendant has no counsel the court shall appoint counsel to conduct the trial for him.

ART. 952. No special formality is necessary in conducting the proceedings authorized by this chapter. The court shall see that the inquiry is conducted in such a manner as to lead to a satisfactory conclusion.

ART. 953. When, upon the trial of an issue of insanity, the defendant is found to be insane, all further proceedings in the case against him shall be suspended until he becomes same.

ART. 954. When a defendant is found to be insane the court shall make an order, and have the same entered upon the minutes, committing the defendant to the custody of the sheriff, to be kept subject to the further order of the county judge of the county.

ART. 955. When a defendant has been committed, as provided in the preceding article, the proceedings shall forthwith be certified to the county judge, who shall take the necessary steps, at once, to have the defendant confined in the lunatic asylum, as provided in the case of other lunatics, until he becomes same.

ART. 956. Should the defendant become sane, he shall be brought before the court in which he was convicted, and a jury shall again be impaneled to try the issue of his sanity; and should he be found to be

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Court shall impanel jury to try question of, etc. C.C.P. 783.

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Shall be confined in lunatic asylum until, etc.

When the defendant becomes sane, etc. sane, the conviction shall be enforced against him in the same manner as if the proceedings had never been suspended.

ART. 957. The fact that the defendant has become same may be made Affidavit of known to the court in which the conviction was had by the official cer- sanity of detificate, in writing, of the superintendent of the lunatic asylum where he is confined; or, if not confined in the lunatic asylum, by the affidavit, in writing, of any credible person.

When a certificate, or affidavit, such as is provided for in Proceedings upon affidavit, Art. 958. the preceding article, is presented to the judge, or court, either in vacation or in term time, such judge, or court, shall issue a writ, directed to the officer having the custody of such defendant, commanding such officer to bring the defendant before the court immediately, if the court be then in session; and if the court be not then in session, to bring the defendant before the court at its next regular term for the county in which the conviction was had, which writ shall be served and returned as in case of the writ of habeas corpus, and under like penalties for disobedience.

ART. 959. Should the defendant again be found to be insane, he shall when defendbe remanded to the custody of the superintendent of the lunatic asylum, found to be insane. or other proper officer.

ART. 960. When, upon the trial of an issue of insanity, it is found Conviction that the defendant is sane, the judgment of conviction shall be enforced forced, when, C.C.P. 701. as if no such inquiry had been made.

CHAPTER TWO.

DISPOSITION OF STOLEN PROPERTY.

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ARTICLE 961. When any property alleged to have been stolen comes subject to or-into the custody of an officer, he must hold it subject to the order of the der of proper court. C.C.P. 794. proper court or magistrate.

ART. 962. Upon the trial of any criminal action for theft, or for any Restored, on other illegal acquisition of property, which is by law a penal offense, the trial for theft, court before whom the trial takes place shall of the owner of the same. restored to the person appearing by the proof to be the owner of the same. ART. 963. When an officer seizes property alleged to have been stolen, Schedule of to be filed by court before whom the trial takes place shall order the property to be owner. C.C.P. 795.

ART. 963. When an oncer seizes property aregue to the same, and its value, be filed by officer. it is his duty immediately to file a schedule of the same, and its value, be filed by officer. C.C.P. 796. with the magistrate or court having jurisdiction of the case, certifying that the property has been seized by him, and the reason therefor.

ART. 964. Upon examination of a criminal accusation before a magis-trate, if it is proved to the satisfaction of such magistrate that any person is the true owner of property alleged to have been stolen, and which is in the possession of a peace officer, he may, by written order, direct the C.C.P. 797. property to be restored to such owner.

property to be restored to such owner. ART. 965. If the magistrate have any doubt as to the ownership of when deliver-the property, he may require of the person claiming to be the owner a be required. C.C.P. 798. bond, with security, for the re-delivery of the same in case the property should thereafter be shown not to belong to such claimant; or he may, in his discretion, direct the property to be retained by the sheriff until further orders respecting the possession thereof.

ART. 966. The bond provided for in the preceding article shall be Requisites of made payable to the county judge of the county in which the property the bond, etc.

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is in custody, and shall be in a sum equal to the value of the property, with good and sufficient security, to be approved by such county judge. Such bond shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county court of such county; and, in case of a breach thereof, may be sued upon in such county before any court having jurisdiction of the amount thereof by any claimant of the property, or by the county treasurer of such county.

If the property be not claimed within six months from the ART. 967. conviction of the person accused of illegally acquiring it, the same shall be by the sheriff sold for cash, after advertising for ten days, as under execution; and the proceeds of such sale, after deducting therefrom all expenses of keeping such property, and costs of sale, shall be paid into the treasury of the county where the defendant was convicted.

ART. 968. If the property stolen consist of money, the same shall be paid into the county treasury, if not claimed by the proper owner within six months.

The real owner of the property or money disposed of, as ART. 969. provided in the two preceding articles, shall have twelve months within which to present his claim to the commissioners' court of the county for the money paid to the county treasurer of such county; and if his claim be denied by such court he may sue the county treasurer in any court of such county having jurisdiction of the amount, and upon sufficient proof recover judgment therefor against such county.

If the property be a written instrument the same shall be property is a AKT. 970. If the property be a written instrument the same shall be written instru- deposited with the clerk of the county court of the county where the pro-ART. 970. ceedings are had, subject to the claim of any person who may establish his right thereto.

The claimant of any such written instrument shall file his ART. 971. claim thereto, in writing, and under oath before the county judge; and if such judge be satisfied that such claimant is the real owner of the written instrument, the same shall be delivered to him. The county judge may, in his discretion, require a bond of such claimant as in other cases of property claimed under the provisions of this chapter, and may also require the written instrument to be recorded in the minutes of his court before delivering it to the claimant.

The claimant of property, before he shall be entitled to ART. 972. have the same delivered to him, shall pay all reasonable charges for the safe keeping of the same while in the custody of the law, which charges shall be verified by the affidavit of the officer claiming the same, and determined by the magistrate or court having jurisdiction thereof; and in case said charges are not paid the property shall be sold as under execution, and the proceeds of sale, after the payment of such charges and costs of sale, paid to the owner of such property.

When property is sold and the proceeds of sale are ready ART. 973. to be paid into the county treasury, the amount of expenses for keeping the same and the costs of sale shall be determined by the county judge, and the account thereof shall be in writing and verified by the officer claiming the same, with the approval of the county judge thereto for the amount allowed; and the same shall be filed in the office of the county treasurer at the time of paying into his hands the balance of the proceeds of such sale.

All the provisions of this chapter relating to stolen property ART. 974. apply as well to property acquired in any manner which makes the acquisition a penal offense.

Property shall be sold, when and how. C.C.P. 800.

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CHAPTER THREE.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS CHARGED BY LAW WITH THE COLLECTION OF MONEY.

ARTICLE 975. All officers charged by law with collecting moneys in the Report of name or for the use of the state shall report in writing, under oath, to the moneys col-lected shall be respective district courts of their several counties, on the first day of each made, etc. term, the amounts of money that may have come to their hands since the $\binom{4.62}{1874}$, p. 182, \$2. last term of their respective courts aforesaid.

ART. 976. The report required by the preceding article shall state-1. The amounts collected.

2. When and from whom collected.

3. By virtue of what process collected.

4. The disposition that has been made of the money.

5. If no money has been collected the report shall state that fact.

ART. 977. A report, such as is required by the two preceding articles, Report of shall also be made of all money collected for the county, which report lected for shall be made to each regular term of the commissioners' court for each county. Id. §3. county.

ART. 978. The following officers are the officers charged by law with What officers the collection of money within the meaning of the three preceding articles, report. and who are required to make the reports therein mentioned, viz.: District and county attorneys, clerks of the district and county courts, sheriffs, constables, justices of the peace, mayors, recorders and marshals of incorporated cities or towns.

ART. 979. The moneys required to be reported embrace all moneys col-Report to em-lected for the state or county other than taxes, but taxes are not included. brace all moneys except

ART. 980. Money collected by an officer upon recognizances, bail-bonds Money coland other obligations recovered upon in the name of the state under the paid to county provisions of this Code, and all fines, forfeitures, judgments and jury treasurer. fees collected under any of the provisions of this Code, shall be forthwith paid over by the officers collecting the same to the county treasurer of the proper county, after first deducting therefrom the legal fees and commissions for collecting the same.

CHAPTER FOUR.

OF REMITTING FINES AND FORFEITURES, REPRIEVES, COMMUTATIONS OF PUNISHMENT AND PARDONS.

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ARTICLE 981. In all criminal actions, except treason and impeach. Governor may ment, the governor shall have power, after conviction, to remit fines, etc. grant reprieves, commutations of punishment and pardons.

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ART. 983. In all cases in which the governor remits fines or forfeitures,

Shall file rea-sons for his action in office of or grants reprieves, commutation of punishment or pardons, he shall file secretary of Ta in the office of the secretary of state his reasons therefor.

May commute penalty of death, etc. C.C.P. 811.

ART. 984. With the advice and consent of the senate the governor May pardon treason, when (Const., art. 4, may grant pardons in cases of treason, and to this end he may respite a sentence therefor until the close of the succeeding session of the legis-

> lature. ART. 985. The governor shall have authority to commute the punishment in every case of capital felony, except treason, by changing the penalty of death into that of imprisonment for life, or for a term of years, either with or without hard labor, which may be done by his warrant to the proper officer, commanding him not to execute the penalty of death, and directing him to convey the prisoner to the penitentiary, stating therein the time for which and the manner in which the prisoner is to be confined, which warrant shall be sufficient authority to the sheriff to deliver, and to the proper officers of the penitentiary to receive and

> imprison such prisoner. ART. 986. The governor may also reprieve and delay the execution of the penalty of death to any day fixed by him in a warrant to the sheriff, and such warrant shall be executed and returned to the proper court by the sheriff in the same manner as if it had been issued from such court.

> ART. 987. All remissions of fines and forfeitures, and all reprieves, commutations of punishment and pardons, shall be signed by the governor and certified by the secretary of state, under the great seal of state, and shall be forthwith obeyed by any officer to whom the same may be presented.

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TITLE XIII.

Of Inquests.

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ARTICLE 988. Any justice of the peace shall be authorized, and it Inquests shall shall be his duty, to hold inquests within his county in the following whom and in cases:

1. When any person dies in prison.

2. When any person is killed, or from any cause dies an unnatural death, except under sentence of the law.

3. When the body of any human being is found and the circumstances of his death are unknown.

4. When the circumstances of the death of any person are such as to lead to suspicion that he has come to his death by unlawful means.

ART. 989. When a body upon which inquest ought to have been held Body may be interred, the justice of the peace may cause it to be disinterred. C.C.P. 852. has been interred, the justice of the peace may cause it to be disinterred for the purpose of holding such inquest.

for the purpose of notang such inquest. ART. 990. The justice of the peace shall act in such cases upon verbal Upon what in-or written information given him by any credible person, or upon facts formation jus-tice may act. C.P. 853.

ART. 991. It is the duty of the sheriff, and of every keeper of any Duty of sheriff, prison, to inform the justice of the peace of the death of any person con- etc. C.C.P. 854. fined therein.

ART. 992. The justice of the peace may summon a jury of inquest Justice may himself, or may direct an order to any peace officer for that purpose.

ART. 993. A jury of inquest shall consist of six men, citizens of the shall consist of proper county, freeholders, householders and qualified electors.

ART. 994. A person summoned as a juror in such cases who refuses to Juror refusing obey the summons may be fined by the justice of the peace not exceed- to obey suming ten dollars.

ART. 995. The justice of the peace shall, as soon as a jury is sum- Justice shall moned, proceed with them to the place where the dead body may be, for proceed. C.C.P. 858. the purpose of inquiring into the cause of the death.

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ART. 996. The following oath shall be, by the justice of the peace, administered to the jury: "You swear that you will diligently inquire into the cause, manner, time and circumstances of the death of the person whose body lies before you, and that you will thereupon make presentment of the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you Ged."

ART. 997. The justice of the peace shall have power to issue subpœnas to enforce the attendance of witnesses upon an inquest; and, in case of disobedience or failure to attend, may issue attachments for such witnesses.

ART. 998. Witnesses shall be sworn and examined by the justice, and the testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing by the justice, or under his direction, and subscribed by the witness.

ART. 999. Should the justice deem proper, the inquest may be held in private; but in all cases where a person has been arrested, charged with having caused the death of the deceased, such person and his counsel shall have the right to be present at the inquest, and to examine witnesses and introduce evidence before the jury.

ART. 1000. If other persons than the justice, jurors, and the accused and his counsel are present at the inquest, they shall not interfere with the proceedings; and no question shall be asked a witness except by the justice, the accused or his counsel, or one of the jurors; and the justice may fine any person violating this article for contempt of court, not exceeding twenty dollars, and may cause such person to be placed in custody of a peace officer and removed from the presence of the inquest.

 $\dot{A}_{\rm RT.}$ 1001. After having examined into the cause, time, manner and place of the death of the deceased, the jury shall form their verdict, setting forth distinctly the facts relating thereto, which they find to be true, which verdict shall not be valid unless signed by the justice of the peace and each of the jurors.

ART. 1002. The justice of the peace shall keep a book in which he shall make a minute of all the proceedings relating to every inquest held by him. Such minute shall set forth—

1. The nature of the information given the justice of the peace, and by whom given, unless he acts upon facts within his own knowledge.

2. The time and place when and where the inquest is held.

3. The name of the deceased, if known; or, if not known, as accurate a description of him as can be given.

4. The verdict of the jury of inquest..

5. If any arrest is made of a suspected person before inquest held, the name of the person and the fact of his arrest, as well as everything material which relates thereto, shall be noted.

ART. 1003. When the justice has knowledge that the killing was the act of any person, or when an affidavit is made that there is reason to believe that such person has killed the deceased, a warrant may be issued for the arrest of the person accused, before inquest held, and the accused and his counsel shall have the right to be present when the same is held, and to examine the witnesses and introduce evidence before the jury.

ART. 1004. Any peace officer to whose hands the justice's warrant of arrest shall come is bound to execute the same without delay; and he shall detain the person arrested until his discharge is ordered by the justice or other proper authority.

ART. 1005. A warrant of arrest in such cases shall be sufficient if it issues in the name of "The State of Texas," recites the name of the accused, or describes him when his name is unknown, sets forth the offense charged in plain language and is signed officially by the justice.

ART. 1006. If it be found by the verdict of the jury of inquest that a person already arrested did in fact kill the deceased, or was an accomplice or accessory to the death, the justice may, according to the facts of the case, commit him to jail, or require him to execute a bail-bond with security for his appearance before the proper court to answer for the offense.

ART. 1007. A bail-bond taken before a justice shall be sufficient if it Bail-bond shall recite the offense of which the party is accused, be payable to the State be set. of Texas, be dated and signed by the principal and his surety; and such bond may be forfeited, and judgment recovered thereon, and the same collected as in the case of any other bail-bond.

When, by the verdict of a jury of inquest, it is found that Warrant of ar-ART. 1008. any person not in custody killed the deceased, or was an accomplice or dict, when, accessory to the death, the justice shall forthwith issue his warrant of C.C.P. 872. arrest to the sheriff or other peace officer, commanding him to arrest the person accused and bring him before such justice, or before some other magistrate named in the writ.

ART. 1009. The warrant mentioned in the preceding article shall be Requisites of sufficient if it run in the name of the State of Texas, give the name of the Marrant. C.C.P. 873. accused or describe him when his name is unknown, recite the offense with which he is charged, in plain language, and be dated and signed officially by the justice.

The peace officer into whose hands such warrant may come Peace officer ART. 1010. shall forthwith execute the same by arresting the defendant and taking warrant. C.C.P. 874. him before the magistrate named in the warrant; and the magistrate shall proceed to examine the accusation, and the same proceedings shall be had thereon as in other cases where persons accused of offenses are brought before him.

Nothing contained in this title shall prevent proceedings Accused may ART. 1011. from being had for the arrest and examination of an accused person before etc., pending a magistrate pending the holding of an inquest. But when a person inquest, etc. accused of an offense has been already arrested under a warrant from the justice he shall not be taken from the hands of the peace officer by a warrant from any other magistrate.

ART. 1012. When an inquest has been held, the justice before whom Justice shall the same was held shall certify to the proceedings, and shall inclose in an envelope the testimony taken, the verdict of the jury, the bail-bonds, if any, and all other papers connected with the inquest, and shall seal up such envelope and deliver it properly indorsed to the clerk of the district court, without delay, who shall safely keep the same in his office subject to the order of the court.

It shall also be the duty of the justice to carefully preserve shall preserve hat new come to his knowledge and possession all evidence. ART. 1013. all evidence whatsoever that may come to his knowledge and possession which might, in his opinion, tend to show the real cause of the death, or the person, if any one, who caused such death, and shall deliver all such evidence to the clerk of the district court, who shall keep the same safely, subject to the order of the court.

ART. 1014. The justice may, should he deem it proper, require bail of Witnesses may witnesses examined before the inquest to appear and testify before the next give bail. grand jury, or before an examining or other proper court as in other cases.

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Whenever complaint in writing, under oath, is made ARTICLE 1015. by any credible person before any justice of the peace, that there is ground to believe that any building has been unlawfully set on fire or 1878, p. 171, §1.) attempted to be set on fire, such justice of the peace shall, without delay, cause the truth of such complaint to be investigated.

The proceedings in such case shall be governed by the ART. 1016. same rules as are provided in the preceding chapter of this title concerning inquests upon dead bodies, and the officer conducting such investigation shall have the same powers as are conferred upon justices of the peace in the preceding chapter.

ART. 1017. The jury after inspecting the place where the fire was, or was attempted, and after hearing the testimony, shall deliver to the justice of the peace holding such inquest their verdict in writing, signed by them, in which they shall find and certify how and in what manner such fire happened or was attempted, and all the circumstances attending the same, and who were guilty thereof, either as principal or accessory, and

in what manner. But if such jury be unable to ascertain the origin and circumstances of such fire they shall find and certify accordingly. ART. 1018. If the jury find that any building has been unlawfully set on fire, or has been attempted so to be, the justice of the peace holding such inquest shall bind over the witnesses to appear and testify before the next grand jury of the county in which such offense was committed.

ART. 1019. If the person charged with the offense, if there be any person so charged, be not in custody, the justice of the peace shall issue a warrant for his arrest, and when arrested such person shall be dealt with as in other like cases.

ART. 1020. In all investigations had under this chapter the testimony of all witnesses examined before the jury shall be reduced to writing by the justice of the peace, or under his direction, and signed by the witnesses; and such testimony, together with the verdict of the jury and all bail-bonds taken in the case, shall be certified to and returned by the justice of the peace to the next district or criminal court of his county.

ART. 1021. The compensation of the officers and jury making the investigation provided for in this chapter shall be the same as that allowed for holding an inquest upon a dead body, so far as applicable, and shall be paid in the same manner.

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Proceedings in such case. Id. §2.

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ARTICLE 1022. A person charged in any other state or territory of the Fugitive from United States with treason, felony, or other crime, who shall flee from justice deliver-ed up, when. authority of the state or territory from which he fled, be delivered up, to be removed to the state or territory having jurisdiction of the crime.

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ART. 1023. It is declared to be the duty of all judicial and peace offi- Judicial and cers of the state to give aid in the arrest and detention of a fugitive shall aid in the from any other state or territory, that he may he held subject to a arrest requisition by the governor of the state or territory from which he may have escaped.

Whenever complaint on oath is made to a magistrate Magistrate Авт. 1024. that any person within his jurisdiction is a fugitive from justice from shall issue war another state or territory, it is his duty to issue a warrant of arrest for of fugitive, the apprehension of the person accused.

ART. 1025. The complaint shall be sufficient if it recite-

1. The name of the person accused.

2. The state or territory from which he has fled.

3. The offense committed by the accused.

4. That he has fied to this state from the state or territory where the offense was committed,

5. That the act alleged to have been committed by the accused is a violation of the penal law of the state or territory from which he fled.

violation of the penal law of the state or territory from which it is a fugitive from Warrant of a magistrate to arrest a fugitive from Warrant of ar-justice shall direct a peace officer to apprehend the person accused and rest from mag-istrate shall direct what.

When the person accused is brought before the magis-ART. 1027. trate he shall hear proof, and if satisfied that the defendant is charged in accused, when, another state or territory with the offense named in the complaint he C.C.P. 885. another state or territory with the offense named in the complaint he shall require of him bail, with good and sufficient security, in such amount as such magistrate may deem reasonable, to appear before such magistrate at a specified time; and in default of such bail he may commit the defendant to jail to await a requisition from the governor of the state or territory from which he fled.

ART. 1028. A properly certified transcript of an indictment against Certified transcript of in the accused shall be evidence to show that he is charged with the crime script of in-

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ART. 1029. A person arrested under the provisions of this title shall committed or, not be committed or held to bail for a longer time than ninety days.

> The magistrate by whose authority a fugitive from justice Авт. 1030. has been held to bail or committed shall immediately notify the secretary of state of the fact, stating in such notice the name of such fugitive, the state or territory from which he is a fugitive, the crime with which he is charged and the date when he was committed or held to bail. Such notice may be forwarded either through the mail or by telegraph.

> ÅRT. 1031. The magistrate shall also immediately notify the district or county attorney of his county of the facts of the case, who shall forthwith give notice of such facts to the executive authority of the state or territory from which the accused is charged to have fled.

> The secretary of state upon receiving information, as pro-ART. 1032. vided in article 1030, shall forthwith communicate such information by telegraph when practicable, or, if not practicable, by mail, to the executive authority of the proper state or territory.

> ART. 1033. If the accused is not arrested under a warrant from the governor of this state before the expiration of ninety days from the day of his commitment or the date of his bail-bond, he shall be discharged.

> ART. 1034. A person who shall have been once arrested under the provisions of this title, and discharged under the provisions of the preceding article, or by habeas corpus, shall not be again arrested upon a charge of the same offense, except by a warrant from the governor of this state.

> Whenever the governor of this state may think proper to ART. 1035. demand a person who has committed an offense in this state, and has fled to another state or territory, he may commission any suitable person to take such requisition; and the accused person if brought back to the state, shall be delivered up to the sheriff of the county in which it is alleged he has committed the offense.

ART. 1036. The person commissioned by the governor to bear a requipay to person AKT. 1050. The person commissioned by the governor to bear a requi-pay to person sition for a fugitive from justice to another state or territory, shall be paid out of the state treasury a reasonable compensation for his services, to be paid upon the certificate of the governor specifying the services rendered and the amount allowed therefor.

The governor may, whenever he deems it proper, offer a ART. 1037. reward for the apprehension of any person accused of a felony in this state and who is evading an arrest.

When the governor offers a reward he shall cause the same ART. 1038. to be published in such manner as, in his judgment, will be most likely to effect the arrest of the accused.

The person who may become entitled to such reward shall ART. 1039. be paid the same out of the state treasury upon the certificate of the governor, stating the amount thereof, and that such person is entitled to receive the same, and the facts which so entitle such person to receive it.

TITLE XV.

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ARTICLE 1040. Each clerk of a court, county judge, sheriff, justice of Certain officers the peace, constable, mayor, recorder and marshal, in this state, shall keep books. a fee book, and shall enter therein all fees charged for service rendered (Act Aug. 23, in any criminal action or proceeding, which book shall be subject to the ^{1876, p. 203, §22.}) in any criminal action or proceeding, which book shall be subject to the inspection of any person interested in such costs.

ART. 1041. The fee book shall show the number and style of the Fee book shall action or proceeding in which the costs are charged, and each item of show what costs shall be stated separately; and it shall further name the officer or person to whom such costs are due.

ART. 1042. No item of costs in a criminal action or proceeding shall No cost shall be taxed that is not expressly provided for by law.

ART. 1043. All costs in criminal actions or proceedings shall be due and payable in the lawful currency of the United States.

ART. 1044. No costs shall be payable by any person whatsoever until No costs paya-there be produced, or ready to be produced, unto the person owing or *Id. p. 203*, §23. chargeable with the same, a bill or account, in writing, containing the particulars of such costs, signed by the officer to whom such costs are due, or by whom the same are charged.

ART. 1045. Whenever a criminal action or proceeding is taken by Bill of costs appeal from one court to another, or whenever the same is in any other shall accomway transferred from one court to another, it shall be accompanied by a when. full and complete bill or account of all the costs that have accrued in such action or proceeding, which bill or account shall be certified to and signed by the proper officer of the court from which the same is forwarded.

ART. 1046. No further costs shall be taxed against a defendant or col- Costs shall not lected from him in a criminal case after he has paid the amount of costs defendant has taxed against him at the time of such payment, unless otherwise adjudged paid. by the court upon a proper motion filed for that purpose.

ART. 1047. Whenever costs have been erroneously taxed against a Costs may be defendant he may have the error corrected and the costs properly taxed and how. upon filing a motion, in writing, for that purpose in the court in which the case is then pending, or was last pending. Such motion may be made at any time within one year after the final disposition of the case in which the costs were taxed, and not afterward, and notice of such motion shall be given to the party or parties to be affected thereby as in the case of a similar motion in a civil action, and the court hearing the

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be taxed that is not provided for by law. Costs payable in lawful currency. (Act Aug. 23, 1876, p. 284, §1.)

any case,

same shall render such judgment therein as the facts and the law may require.

Fee book evidence, etc.

The items of costs taxed in an officer's fee book shall be ART. 1048. prima facie evidence of the correctness of such items, and the same shall be considered correct until shown by satisfactory evidence to be otherwise.

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ARTICLE 1049. The attorney-general shall receive from the state the following fees:

1. In each case of felony appealed to the court of appeals where the appeal is dismissed, or where the judgment of the court below is affirmed, the sum of twenty dollars.

2. In each case of habeas corpus heard before the court of appeals, when the applicant is charged with a felony, the sum of twenty dollars.

ART. 1050. The clerk of the court of appeals, in every case of felony brought before such court by appeal, shall receive from the state the sum of ten dollars.

How fees al-lowed by two preceding ar-ticles are paid. Out of the state treasury upon the certificate of the court of appeals, or of

any one of the judges thereof, that the same is correct. ART. 1052. The district or county attorney shall be allowed the following fees:

1. For all convictions in cases of felonious homicide when the defendant does not appeal or dies, or escapes after appeal and before final judgment of the court of appeals, or when upon appeal the judgment is affirmed, the sum of fifty dollars.

For all other convictions of felony when the defendant does not 2.appeal or dies, or escapes after appealing and before final judgment of the court of appeals, or when upon appeal the judgment is affirmed, the sum of thirty dollars.

3. For representing the state in each case of habeas corpus where the defendant is charged with a felony, the sum of twenty dollars

4. In no case shall the district, county or justice's court, allow a plea P. C. and C. of of guilty to a less grade of offense than the highest grade charged in the C. P. passed complaint, information or indictment.

If there be more than one defendant in a case, and they ART. 1053. are tried jointly, but one fee shall be allowed the district or county attor-If the defendants sever and are tried separately a fee shall be ney. allowed for each trial in accordance with the provisions of the preceding article, except in habeas corpus cases, in which cases only one fee shall be allowed without regard to the number of defendants or whether they are tried jointly or separately.

To the sheriff or constable shall be allowed the following ART. 1054. Akt. 1004. To the shorth of constants shart be and were the following sheriff. *Id.* pp. 289, 290, fees, in all cases of felony where the defendant has been brought to trial, (Acts 1879, ch. exxvii, p. 133.) 1. For executing each warrant of arrest, or capias, or for making arrest

1. For executing each warrant of arrest, or capias, or for making arrest without warrant, the sum of one dollar.

Fees paid to attorney.general. (Act Aug. 23, 1876, p. 284, §2.)

Fees of clerk of court of appeals. Id. §5.

Fees allowed district and county attorneys. (Act Aug. 23, 1876, p. 286, §7.)

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Fees allowed

2. For summoning or attaching each witness, fifty cents.

3. For summoning jury, two dollars.

4. For executing death warrants, fifty dollars.

5. For removing a prisoner, for each mile going and coming, including guards and all other expenses, when traveling by railroad, fifteen cents; when traveling otherwise than by railroad, twenty-five cents; for each mile he may be compelled to travel in executing criminal process, summoning or attaching witnesses, five cents; for traveling in the service of process, not otherwise provided for, the sum of five cents for each mile going and returning; if two or more persons are mentioned in the writ, he shall charge for the distance actually and necessarily traveled in the service of the same.

6. For conveying a witness attached by him to any court out of his county, his actual necessary expenses by the nearest practicable public conveyances, the amount to be stated by him under oath, and approved by the judge of the court from which the attachment issued, such account to become due when so approved; and the sheriff's or constable's return shall, in every instance, show the time and place of service.

7. For attending a prisoner on habeas corpus, where such prisoner is charged with a felony, for each day, two dollars, together with mileage as above, when removing such prisoner out of the county under

proper authority. ART. 1055. When services have been rendered by any peace officer when services are rendered in the preceding article, such are rendered by peace offi. other than a sheriff, such as are enumerated in the preceding article, such are rendered officer shall receive the same fees therefor as are allowed the sheriff, and cer other than the same shall be taxed in the cheriff's hill of the same shall be taxed in the sheriff's bill of costs and noted therein as therein as 0.0.1 costs due such peace officer, and when received by such sheriff he shall

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costs due such peace officer. ART. 1056. The clerk of the district court shall receive for each felony Fees of clerk case tried in such court by jury, whether the defendant be convicted or of district acquitted, the sum of ten dollars; for each transcript on appeal, for each (Act Aug. 23, one hundred words, ten cents; for each felony case finally disposed of [Acts 1679, ch. 126, p. 133.)

ART. 1057. Before the close of each term of the district court, the Officers shall district or county attorney, sheriff and clerk of said court shall each make make out cost out a bill or account of the costs claimed to be due them by the state, it shall show, respectively, in the felony cases tried at that term; the bill, or account, (Acts 1879, ex. tra session, ch. 46.) shall show-

1. The style and number of cases in which the costs are claimed to have accrued.

2. The offense charged against the defendant,

3. The term of the court at which the case was disposed of.

4. The disposition of the case, and that the case was finally disposed of and no appeal taken.

5. The name and number of defendants, and, if more than one, whether they were tried jointly or separately.

6. Where each defendant was arrested or witness served, stating the county in which the service was made, giving distance and direction from county seat of county in which the process is served, and mileage shall be charged for distance by the most direct and practicable route from the court whence such process issued to the place of service.

7. In allowing mileage, the judge shall ascertain whether the process was served on one or more of the parties named therein on the same tour, and shall allow mileage only for the number of miles actually traveled, and then only for the journey made at the time the service was perfected.

8. The court shall inquire whether there have been several prosecutions for an offense or transaction that is but one offense in law, and, if there is more than one prosecution for the same transaction, or a portion thereof 125

that could have been combined in one indictment against the same defendant, the judge shall allow fees to sheriffs, clerks and district and county attorneys in but one prosecution.

9. Where the defendants in a case have served on the trial, the judge shall not allow the charges for service of process and mileage to be duplicated in each case as tried, but only such additional fees shall be allowed as are caused by the severance.

ART. 1058. It shall be the duty of the district judge when any such bill is presented to him to examine the same carefully, and to inquire into the correctness thereof, and approve the same in whole or part, or to disapprove the entire bill, as the facts and law may require; and such bill, with the action of the judge thereon, shall be entered on the minutes of said court, and immediately on the rising of said court, it shall be the duty of the clerk thereof to make a certified copy from the minutes of said court of said bill and the action of the judge thereon, and transmit the same by mail, in registered letter to the comptroller of public accounts.

ART. 1059. It shall be the duty of the comptroller, upon the receipt of such claim and said certified copy of the minutes of said court, to closely and carefully examine the same, and, if correct, to draw his warrant on the state treasurer for the amount due, and in favor of the officer entitled to the same; provided, that if the appropriation for paying such accounts is exhausted the comptroller shall file the same away, if correct, and issue a certificate in the name of the officer entitled to the same, stating therein the amount of the claim and character of the service per-And all such claims or accounts not transmitted to or placed on formed. file in the office of the comptroller of public accounts within six months from the date of the final disposition of the case in which the services were rendered, shall be forever barred.

ART. 1060. In cases where the defendant is indited for a felony and is convicted of an offense less than felony, no costs shall be paid by the state to any officer.

ART. 1061. The costs and fees paid by the state under this title shall be a charge against the defendants in cases where they are convicted, except in cases of capital punishment or of sentence to the penitentiary for life, and when collected shall be paid into the treasuary of the state.

CHAPTER THREE.

OF COSTS PAID BY COUNTIES.

County shall be liable for what costs. C.C.P. 957.

ARTICLE 1062. Each county shall be liable for all the expenses incurred on account of the safe keeping of prisoners confined in their respective jails or kept under guard, except prisoners brought from another county for safe keeping, or from another county on habeas corpus or change of

Duty of judge to examine bill, etc. *Ib* Ib.

Duty of comp-troller on re-ceipt of copy of bill. 1 b.

No costs paid by state, when, etc. C.C.P. 952d.

Costs paid by state a charge against defendant, except. C.C.P. 956.

venue, in which cases the county from which the prisoner is brought shall be liable for the expense of his safe keeping.

ART. 1063. Each county shall be liable for the expenses of food and Shall be re lodging for jurors impaneled in a case of felony; but in such cases no food and lodgscrip shall be issued or money paid to the jurors whose expenses are so ing of jurors C.C.P. 958. paid.

ART. 1064. A juror may pay his own expenses and draw his scrip, but Juror may pay the county is responsible in the first place for all the expenses incurred by his own ex-the sheriff in providing suitable food and lodging for the jury, not to draw scrip. C.C.P. 950. exceed however one dollar and twenty-five cents a day.

ART. 1065. For the safe keeping, support and maintenance of pris- Allowance to ners confined in jail or under guard, the sheriff shall be allowed the prisoners. Act Aug. 23, 11. For any number of prisoners not exceeding four he shall be paid for (Act to adopt and establish 2. For any number of prisoners exceeding four, for each prisoner, for C. P. passed for C. P. passed Feb. 21, 1879.) oners confined in jail or under guard, the sheriff shall be allowed the following charges:

each prisoner, for each day, not exceeding forty-five cents.

each day, not exceeding thirty cents.

3. For necessary medical bill and reasonable extra compensation for attention to a prisoner during sickness, such an amount as the commissioners' court of the county where the prisoner is confined may determine to be just and proper.

4. The reasonable funeral expenses in case of death.

The sheriff shall be allowed for each guard necessarily Allowance for ART. 1066. employed in the safe keeping of prisoners one dollar and fifty cents for (Act Aug. 23 each day, and there shall not be any allowance made for the board of 1876, p. 290, \$11.) such guard, nor shall any allowance be made for jailer or turnkey.

ART. 1067. It is the duty of the sheriff to pay the expenses of jurors Sheriff shall impaneled in cases of felony (except when they are paid by the juror pay what ex-penses, and be himself), the expense of employing and maintaining a guard, and to sup-port and take care of all prisoners, for all of which he shall be reimbursed by the proper county according to the mater find in the by the proper county according to the rates fixed in the two preceding articles.

AKT. 1068. At each term of the district court of his county the sheriff Sheriff shall may present to the district judge presiding his accounts for all expenses count to dis-and the number of days the same were paid, and shall be verified by the affidavit of such sheriff.

The account provided for in the preceding article shall be Judge shall ex-Авт. 1069. carefully examined by the district judge, and he shall approve the same, etc or so much thereof as he finds to be correct. He shall write his approval on said account, specifying the amount for which the same is approved, and shall date and sign the same officially and cause the same to be filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county liable therefor.

The district judge shall give to the sheriff a draft upon Judge shall ART. 1070. the county treasurer of the proper county for the amount of each account give sheriff allowed by him; and the same, when presented to the county treasurer, county treasshall be paid out of any moneys in his hands not otherwise legally appropriated in the same manner as jury certificates are paid.

ART. 1071. At each regular term of the commissioners' court the Account for sheriff shall present his account to such court for the expenses incurred oners, etc., by him since the last account presented for the safe keeping, support and shall be pre-maintenance of prisoners, including guards employed, if any. Such missioners' account shall state the name of each prisoner, and each item of expense court and shall state what. incurred on account of such prisoner, and the date of each item, the name of each guard employed, the length of time employed and the pur-

amine account. C.C.P. 963.

pose of such employment, and shall be verified by the affidavit of the sheriff.

ART. 1072. The commissioners' court shall examine the account named in the preceding article and allow the same, or so much thereof as may be reasonable and in accordance with law, and shall order a draft to be issued to the sheriff for the amount so allowed upon the treasurer of the county, and such account shall be filed and safely kept in the office of the clerk of such court.

ART. 1073. If the expenses incurred are for the safe keeping, support and maintenance of a prisoner from another county, the sheriff shall make out a separate account therefor, such as is provided for in article 1071, and submit the same to the county judge of his county, who shall carefully examine the same and write thereon his approval thereof for such amount as he finds to be correct, stating the amount so approved by him, and shall date and sign such approval officially and return the same to the sheriff.

ART. 1074. The account mentioned in the preceding article shall then be presented to the commissioners' court of the county liable for the same, at a regular term of such court, and such court shall, if the charges therein be in accordance with law, order a draft to issue upon the treasurer of such county, in favor of the sheriff to whom the same is due, for the amount allowed.

Fees of county ART. 1075. There shall be paid to the county judge, by the county, the sum of three dollars for each criminal action tried and finally disposed of before him.

> ART. 1076. The county judge shall present to the commissioners' court of his county, at a regular term thereof, an account, in writing, specifying each criminal action in which he claims the fee allowed by the preceding article, which account shall be certified to be correct by such judge; and the same shall be filed with the clerk of the county court. The commissioners' court shall approve such account for such amount as they may find to be correct, and order a draft to be issued upon the county treasurer in favor of such judge, for the amount so approved.

> ART. 1077. A justice of the peace shall be entitled for summoning a jury and all other business connected with an inquest on a dead body, including certifying and returning the proceedings to the proper court, the sum of five dollars.

Fee for sum-moning jury of ART. 1078. The officer, other than a justice of the peace, who summ inquest by offi-cer other than justice. *Id.* \$13. The officer, other than a justice of the peace, who summons

ART. 1079. The officer or officers claiming pay for services mentioned in the two preceding articles shall present to the commissioners' court of the county, at a regular term of such court, an account therefor, verified by the affidavit of such claimant, and if such account be found correct the court shall order a draft to issue upon the county treasurer in favor of such claimant for the amount due him, and such account shall be filed and safely kept in the office of the clerk of the county court.

ART. 1080. Each member of a jury of inquest shall be allowed two dollars each day while serving upon such jury, to be paid by the county, and the certificate of the justice of the peace who held the inquest shall be sufficient evidence of such service to authorize the county treasurer to pay the amount thereof.

ART. 1081. Each juror who serves in the trial of any criminal case in any court having criminal jurisdiction, or who has been sworn as a juror for the term or week, shall receive one dollar and fifty cents, except in mayors', justices' and recorders' courts, for each day and for each fraction of a day he may serve or attend as such juror.

Expenses, etc., of prisoner from another county.

Same subject.

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Com'rs court shall act upon account for services named in two preced-ing articles.

Pay of jury of inquest

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ART. 1082. A person who has been summoned and who attends as a If not sworn not entitled to juror, but who has not been sworn as such in a case, or for the term or the pay. week, shall not receive pay as a juror.

ART. 1083. Grand jurors shall receive one dollar and fifty cents each Pay of grand for each day and for each fraction of a day that they may serve as such. (Act to adopt

ART. 1084. Bailiffs for the grand jury shall receive such pay for their Pay of bailiffs. services as may be determined by the district court of the county where and establish the service is rendered, and the order of the court in relation thereto shall P. C. and C. of C. P. passed be entered upon the minutes, stating the name of the bailiff, the service Feb. 21, 1879.) rendered by him and the amount of pay allowed therefor; provided, the pay shall not exceed two dollars and fifty cents per day for riding bailiffs during the time they ride, and not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per day for other bailiffs; and, provided further, that the deputy sheriff shall

not receive pay as bailiff. ART. 1085. The amount due jurors and bailiffs shall be paid by the Certificates for county treasurer upon the certificate of the clerk of the court in which such and balliffs. service was rendered; or of the justice of the peace, mayor or recorder in which such service was rendered; which certificate shall state the service, when rendered, by whom rendered, and the amount due therefor.

ART. 1086. Drafts drawn and certificates issued under the provisions Drafts and cerof this chapter shall, without further action or acceptance by any authority able for county except registration by the county treasurer, be receivable at par for all taxes. county taxes. The same may be transferred by delivery, and no ordinance, rule or regulation made by the commissioners' court or other officer or officers of a county table defort the wight of a holder of any such droft officers of a county, shall defeat the right of a holder of any such draft or certificate to pay county taxes therewith.

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CHAPTER FOUR.

OF COSTS TO BE PAID BY DEFENDANTS.

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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS. 1.

The attorney-general shall, in every conviction of Fees of attorment of the court below is affirmed or the appeal is dismissed, receive the ¹⁸⁷⁶, p. 284, §2.) sum of ten dollars. ARTICLE 1087.

The clerk of the court of appeals shall, in every case of Fees of clerk of court of ap-**ART.** 1088. misdemeanor when the judgment is affirmed, receive the sum of ten peals. dollars

The fees named in the two preceding articles shall be shall be taxed ART. 1089. taxed against the defendant and collected as other costs in the case.

Id. 85

against de-fendant, etc. *Id*.

II. IN THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COURTS.

District and county attorneys shall be allowed the follow-ART, 1090. ing fees, to be taxed against the defendant:

1. For every conviction under the laws against gaming when no appeal is taken, or when on appeal the judgment is affirmed, fifteen dollars.

2. For every other conviction in cases of misdemeanor where no appeal is taken, or where on appeal the judgment is affirmed, ten dollars.

Акт. 1091. Where there are several defendants in a case, and they are tried together, but one fee shall be allowed and taxed in the case for the district or county attorney, but where the defendants sever and are tried separately a fee shall be allowed and taxed for each trial.

Attorney ap. ART. 1092. When an attorney is appointed by the court to represent pointed end, the state in the absence of the district or county attorney, the attorney so tied to the fee. ART. 1092. When an attorney is appointed by the court to represent appointed shall be entitled to the fee allowed by law to the district or county attorney.

ART. 1093. The following fees shall be allowed the clerks of the district and county courts:

1. For issuing each capias or other original writ, seventy-five cents.

2. For entering each appearance, fifteen cents.

3. For docketing cause, to be charged but once, twenty-five cents.

4. For swearing and impaneling a jury and receiving and recording the verdict, fifty cents.

5. For swearing each witness, ten cents.

6. For issuing each subpœna, twenty-five cents.

7. For each additional name inserted therein, fifteen cents.

8. For issuing each attachment, fifty cents.

9. For entering each order not otherwise provided for, fifty cents.

10. For filing each paper, ten cents.

11. For entering judgment, fifty cents.

12. For entering each continuance, twenty-five cents.

13. For entering each motion or rule, ten cents.

14. For entering each recognizance, fifty cents.

15. For entering each indictment or information, ten cents.

16. For each commitment, one dollar.

17. For each transcript on appeal, for each one hundred words, ten cents. ART. 1094. The following fees shall be allowed the sheriff or other peace officer performing the same services:

1. For executing each warrant of arrest or capias, or making arrest without warrant, one dollar.

2. For summoning each witness, fifty cents.

3. For serving any writ not otherwise provided for, one dollar.

4. For taking and approving each bond, and returning the same to the court when necessary, one dollar.

5. For each commitment or release, one dollar.

6. Jury fee in each case tried, fifty cents.

7. For attending prisoner on *habeas corpus*, when such prisoner upon a hearing has been remanded to custody or held to bail, for each day's attendance, two dollars.

8. For conveying a witness attached by him to any court out of his county, his actual necessary expenses by the nearest practicable public conveyance; the amount to be stated by him, under oath, and approved by the judge of the court from which the attachment issued.

IN JUSTICES,' MAYORS' AND RECORDERS' COURTS. III.

Justices of the peace, mayors and recorders, shall receive ART. 1095. tices, mayors and recorders, shall recorders, shall recorders, shall recorders, shall recorders, and recorders, the following fees in criminal actions tried before them, to be collected of (Act Aug. 23, 1876, p. 291, §12.) the defendant in case of his conviction:

1. For each warrant, seventy-five cents.

2. For each bond taken, fifty cents.

Fees of sheriff, or other peace officer. Id. §11.

Fees of jus-

Fees of district and county attorneys. Id. §7.

In case of joint defendants.

Fees of district and county

clerks. (Act Aug. 23, 1876, p. 289,§10.)

3. For each subpœna for one witness, twenty-five cents.

4. For each additional name inserted therein, ten cents.

5. For docketing each case, ten cents.

6. For each continuance, twenty cents.

7. For swearing each witness in court, ten cents.

8. For administering any other oath or affirmation without a certificate, ten cents.

9. For administering an oath or affirmation with a certificate thereof. twenty-five cents.

10. Jury fee where a case is tried by jury, fifty cents.

11. For each order in a case, twenty-five cents.

12. For each final judgment, fifty cents.

13. For each application for a new trial with the final judgment thereon, fifty cents.

14. For each commitment, one dollar.

15. For each execution, one dollar.

16. For making out and certifying the entries on his docket and filing the same with the original papers of the cause, in each case of appeal, one dollar and fifty cents.

17. For taxing costs, including copy thereof, ten cents.

18. For taking down the testimony of witnesses, swearing them, taking the voluntary statement of the accused, certifying and returning the same to the proper court in examinations for offenses, for each one hundred words, twenty cents.

ART. 1096. Constables, marshals or other peace officers who execute Fees of con-process and perform services for justices, mayors and recorders in crim- stables and other peace inal actions, shall receive the same fees allowed to sheriffs for the same officers. services.

ART. 1097. The attorney who represents the state in a criminal action Fees of state's in a justice's, mayor's or recorder's court, shall receive for each conviction attorney. (Act to adopt where no appeal is taken, or where upon appeal the judgment is affirmed, and establish ten dollars, unless otherwise provided by the ordinance of any incor- C. P., passed porated city or town.

ART. 1098. Where several defendants are prosecuted jointly and do In case of seven not sever upon trial but one attorney's fee shall be allowed, and where a and where dedefendant pleads guilty to a charge before a justice, mayor or recorder, fendant pleads guilty.

the fee allowed the attorney representing the state shall be five dollars. ART. 1099. No fee shall be allowed a district or county attorney in No fee allowed any case where he is not present and representing the state upon the less, etc. trial thereof, unless he has taken some action therein for the state, but in case he has taken no action, a fee of five dollars shall be taxed, for the benefit of the county, instead thereof; and in no case shall the county or district attorney, in consideration of a plea of guilty, remit any part of his lawful fee.

IV. JURY AND TRIAL FEES.

ART. 1100. In each criminal action tried by a jury in the district or In district and county court, when the defendant is convicted, there shall be taxed in county courts. the bill of costs against him a jury fee of five dollars.

ART. 1101. In each case of conviction in a criminal action tried in the Trial fee in county court, whether tried by a jury or by the judge, there shall be county courts. taxed in the bill of costs against the defendant, or against all the defendants where several are tried jointly, a trial fee or five dollars, the same to be collected and paid into the county treasury in the same manner as is provided in the case of a jury fee.

ART. 1102. In each criminal action tried by a jury in a justice's, Jury feein justices', mayor's or recorder's court, when the defendant is convicted, there shall and recorders' be taxed in the bill of costs against him a jury fee of three dollars, unless courts otherwise provided by the ordinances of any incorporated city or town.

C. P., passed Feb. 21, 1879.)

TITLE XV.-COSTS IN CRIMINAL ACTIONS.-CH. 4.

Note.—Article 1103 submitted by the Revisers was stricken out by the legislature before adopting the Codes.—L.

ART. 1104. Where there are several defendants tried jointly only one jury fee shall be taxed against them, but where they sever and are tried separately a jury fee shall be taxed in each trial.

ART. 1105. Jury fees shall be collected as other costs in a case, and the officer collecting the same shall forthwith pay the amount collected to the county treasurer of the county where the conviction was had.

V. WITNESS FEES.

ART. 1106. Witnesses in criminal cases shall be allowed one dollar and fifty cents a day for each day they are in attendance upon the court, and six cents for each mile they may travel in going to or returning from the place of trial.

ART. 1107. The state shall in no case pay witness fees.

ART. 1108. Upon conviction, in all cases, the costs accruing from the attendance of witnesses shall be taxed against the defendant, upon the affidavit, in writing, of such witness, or of some credible person, stating the number of days that such witness has attended upon the court in the case and the number of miles he has traveled in going to and returning from the place of trial, which affidavit shall be filed among the papers in the case.

ART. 1109. No fees shall be allowed to a person as witness fees unless such person has been subprenaed, attached or recognized as a witness in the case.

ART. 1110. Each clerk of the district and county court and each justice of the peace, mayor and recorder shall keep a book in which shall be entered the number and style of each criminal action in their respective courts and the name of each witness subpœnaed, attached or recognized to testify therein, showing whether on the part of the state or the defendant.

ART. 1111. In all criminal cases where a witness has been subpenaed and fails to attend he shall be liable for the costs of an attachment, unless good cause be shown to the court or magistrate why he failed to obey the subpena.

Where there are several defendants. (Act to adopt and establish P. C. and C. of C. P., passed Feb. 21, 1879.) Jury fees collected as other costs, etc.

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TITLE XVI.

Commissions on Money Collected.

ARTICLE 1112. The district or county attorney shall be entitled to ten Commissions per cent. on all fines, forfeitures, or money collected for the state or allowed district county, upon judgments recovered by him, and the clerk of the court in attorneys, which such judgments are rendered shall be entitled to five per cent. of 126, p. 133.) the amount of said judgments, to be paid out of the money when collected.

ART. 1113. The sheriff, or other officer, who collects money for the Commissions state or county under any of the provisions of this Code, except jury or the officer. fees, shall be entitled to retain five per cent. thereof when collected.

(Act Aug. 23, 1976, p. 286, \$7.)

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Sec. 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, Etc., That all penal laws and all laws relating to criminal procedure in this state, that are not embraced in this act and that have not been enacted during the present session of this legislature, be and the same are hereby repealed.

NOTE.—The foregoing act was presented to the governor of Texas for his approval on the twenty-seventh day of February, 1879, at 10 o'clock A. M., and was neither signed by him nor returned to the house in which it originated with his objections thereto, within the time prescribed by the constitution, and thereupon became a law without his signature.

JOHN D. TEMPLETON,

Secretary of State.

March 17, 1879. Took effect July 24, 1879.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Austin, Texas.

I, JOHN D. TEMPLETON, secretary of state of the State of Texas, do hereby certify hat the foregoing volume is a true and correct copy of the original bills on file in this department. And I do further certify that the regular session of the sixteenth legislature of the State of Texas convened at Austin on the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1879 and adjourned on the twentyfourth day of April, A. D. 1879.

SEAL

In testimony whereof, I do hereto sign my name and affix the seal of the state, at the city of Austin, on this the sixth day of September, A. D. 1879.

JOHN D. TEMPLETON,

Secretary of State.