



# Criminal Justice Act 1948

## 1948 CHAPTER 58

### PART I

#### POWERS AND PROCEEDINGS OF COURTS.

##### *Powers relating to persistent offenders.*

#### **23 Proof of previous convictions etc. for purposes of ss. 21 and 22.**

- (1) For the purpose of determining whether an offender is liable to be sentenced to corrective training or preventive detention or to be ordered to be subject to the provisions of the last foregoing section, no account shall be taken of any previous conviction or sentence unless notice has been given to the offender and to the proper officer of the court at least three days before the trial that it is intended to prove the conviction or sentence; and unless any such previous conviction or sentence is admitted by the offender the question shall be determined by the verdict of a jury.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, evidence that a person has previously been sentenced to corrective training or preventive detention shall be evidence of the convictions and sentences which rendered him liable to that sentence.