said county for the six months next preceding the date of such application; provided said boat, canoe or vessel be six months or more old, but if not so old, then to be owned by residents of said county from the date of the construction and completion of said boat, canoe or vessel; and provided further that no lien or claim on said boat, canoe or vessel be held by held on said boat y non-resident. any non-resident of said county, except such liens or claims as are created by operation of law for work done or material furnished in the repair of said boat, canoe or vessel, said license to hold good for one season only; and shall authorize the taking and catching of crabs, as aforesaid, in any of the waters of said county, the Great Choptank River, and the waters of Fishing Bay, above a straight line drawn from Bishop's Head Point to the lower end of Clay Island excepted, from the first day of May to the first day of September, inclusive, on which said last-named day the license shall expire; but it shall be May transfer lawful for the owner of any such licensed boat to transfer the license to a bona fide resident purchaser or purchasers of said resident, etc. boat, which license, when transferred, shall entitle such vendee, after he has taken the oath or affirmation hereinafter required to be taken by the owners applying for such license, to all the rights and privileges of the vendor, and the said clerk, upon the said oath or affirmation being taken before him, or upon a certificate of the justice of the peace of said county; if the taking of such oath or affirmation before said justice shall enclose the name of the vendor and the date of such transfer upon said license, and receive therefor the sum of twenty-five cents, every license issued thereunder shall state the name and residence of the person to whom the same is granted, the number of the license, the name of the boat and the date when the same shall expire; and every applicant for such license shall pay to the said clerk therefor, before the issuing and delivering of the same, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents. said clerk shall keep a record of such license, which record shall contain the name of the party to whom the license is granted, the date when so granted and the name of the boat.

license to bona fide

SEC. 2. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof before any justice of the peace or Circuit Court for Dorchester County shall be fined a sum not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars, and shall stand committed until fines and costs are paid.

Penalty for violation.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, so far as the same may be so inconsistent.

Approved April 10, 1900.