

Deputy Commanders.

Name and District.	Postoffice.	Vessel.
Amos S. Creighton.....	Cambridge.....	Str. Gov. R. M. McLane
First District.		
G. Franklin Akers.....	Rock Hall	Kent
Second District.		
John W. Jones.....	Chester	Talbot
Geo. O. Haddaway.....	Wittman	Dorchester
Geo. T. Whaland.....	Rock Hall	Local boat*
Third District.		
Wm. J. Haddaway.....	Neavitt	Queen Anne
Jas. W. Granger.....	Oxford	Local boat*
Daniel B. Spedden.....	Hudson	Calvert
D. C. Kinnamon.....	Cambridge	Nettie
R. A. Robbins.....	Crocheron	Wicomico
Albert G. Murrell.....	Hoopersville	Power boat*
Fourth District.		
E. A. Taylor.....	Bivalve	Eliza Howard
W. S. Todd.....	Dames Quarter	Sloop*
Fifth District.		
Alonzo S. Bozman.....	Champ	Somerset
Geo. P. Tyier.....	Crisfield	Patrol
Sixth District.		
Wm. H. Sanders.....	Annapolis	May Brown
E. N. Dixon.....	Galloways	Folly
William Knopp.....	Deale	Brown Smith Jones
Seventh District.		
Andrew L. Johnson.....	Solomons	Katherine L.
R. Lee Arnold.....	Blackistone	Murray
A. P. Cullison.....	Wynne	St. Mary's

* Hired for season only.

The Conservation Department has charge of all the natural resources of the State, namely, oysters, fish, crabs, clams, terrapin, wild fowl, birds, game and fur-bearing animals.

The staff officers and State Game Warden, clerical force, Deputy Commanders of State Fishery Force and Inspectors are appointed by the Department. Deputy Game Wardens are recommended by the State Game Warden and appointments are confirmed by the Department.

The Conservation Department is for the first time nearly self-supporting, and with an average catch of oysters it would become entirely independent of legislative appropriations. The output for the present season has not yielded any more than last year, but the quality of oysters has been far superior. The mussels in many districts have disappeared and the oysters are fat and very palatable.

Last season was a banner season in the crab industry. The output far exceeded any for a long period of years.