- 9. If any person shall neglect or refuse to have his beams and scales, weights and measures, inspected and adjusted as herein directed, when required to do so by the proper officer, he shall forfeit and pay five dollars for every day during such delinquency.
- 10. If any standard keeper shall be informed or have reason to suspect that any person is using, or has in his possession with a fraudulent intention, any false beams, scales or measures, he shall examine the same, and if he find them, or any of them, to be false, he shall seize the same as a forfeiture, and adjust and sell them at public auction, and shall annually return a statement of the money received therefor under oath to the county commissioners.
- 11. If any weight or measure which shall have been branded or stamped as herein required, shall be broken, injured, altered or changed, or condemned by the standard keeper, and shall be found thereafter in the use of any person within this State, such person shall forfeit and pay twenty dollars for each offence.
- 12. Each standard keeper shall receive such compensation for the discharge of his duties as the county commissioners shall think proper to allow, which shall be levied on the assessable property of the county and collected as other county charges.
- 13. Whenever any standard keeper shall be applied to, to adjust scales, weights and measures, by adding to, or diminishing the same, or to adjust scale-beams, he shall be allowed an additional reasonable compensation therefor, to be paid by the party so applying for his services.
- 14. The one-half of all fines and forfeitures imposed by the preceding sections of this article shall go to the informer, the other to the use of the county, and in all suits therefor, the informer shall be a competent witness.
- 15. Nothing contained in the preceding sections of this article shall apply to the city of Baltimore, or to any private house keeper not in trade or pursuing some kind of merchandise as a business.
- 16. All measures of dried fruit used in this State shall be fixed and uniform and tried by the standards herein established, and