

mark or impression which may be made by or with the said assayer's stamp or mark, or shall sell, exchange or expose, or offer for sale or exchange, any wrought plate of silver, or any vessel of such base metal as aforesaid, with any such forged or counterfeited stamp, mark or impression thereon, or any stamp, mark or impression which hath been transferred or removed from any other piece of plate, knowing such stamp, mark or impression to be forged, counterfeited or transposed, or removed as aforesaid, or shall wilfully or knowingly have or be possessed of any mark or stamp which hath been or shall be forged or counterfeited in imitation of and to resemble any mark or stamp of said assayer, he shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred dollars, to be recovered by action of debt in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, in the name of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, one-half thereof to the mayor and city council for the use of the city, and the other half to the use of the informer, and shall be committed by the court to the penitentiary of the State of Maryland, there to remain and to be kept at hard labor for any time not exceeding the space of five years, nor less than one year, and until payment be made of the said forfeiture.

77. It shall be lawful for any manufacturer or manufacturers of silver ware in said city, to sell, exchange, expose or offer to sell or exchange, any silver vessel or plate, or other manufacture whatsoever, by himself or themselves, manufactured within the said city, without requiring the stamp or mark of the assayer thereupon; *Provided*, that every vessel or plate or other manufacture of silver thus sold, exchanged or exposed, or offered for sale or exchange, which shall be over the weight of five pennyweights, shall be stamped with the name or names of the manufacturer or manufacturers, and also the numerical figure or figures corresponding with the fineness thereof, under the penalty of twenty dollars for each and every article which shall not be so stamped.

78. It shall be lawful for any person or persons who may not be manufacturers of silver ware, to sell, exchange or expose, or offer to sell or exchange in said city, any silver vessel, plate or other manufacture of silver whatsoever not manufactured within the said city, and having thereon the name or names of the person or persons so selling, exchanging or offering to sell, or exchange the same, together with the numerical figures corresponding to the fineness thereof; but it shall be lawful for the