

COAL.

283. Any free white citizen of the State of Maryland, on application to the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in Baltimore city, and on paying said clerk the sum of one hundred dollars, shall be entitled to receive a license to act as inspector of coal for the term of one year from the date thereof.

284. The person applying for such license shall, at the time of receiving the same, take and subscribe before said clerk an oath that he will honestly and faithfully discharge the duties of said office.

285. No person engaged in the vending or trading in coal, individually or as a partner, or as agent, clerk or employee of a trader or vendor of coal, shall be entitled to a license to act as inspector of coal.

286. All anthracite or hard coal sold within this State shall be sold by the ton, and twenty-two hundred and forty pounds shall be allowed to the ton.

287. All bituminous coal sold in this State shall be sold by measure, and no measure shall be used but those that have been proved and stamped by the proper officer, except foreign coal subject to duty, in which case the measure of the general government shall be used.

288. No person shall retail coal in the city of Baltimore without a suitable scale approved of by the inspector of weights for said city, and no person shall sell anthracite or hard coal from a vessel without using a suitable scale approved as aforesaid.

289. Any person may sell, export or otherwise dispose of coal, without having the same weighed or measured by a licensed inspector, but in all cases of differences between the buyer and seller as to the quantity and measurement, either party may call in an inspector, and his judgment shall bind the parties.

290. The inspector so licensed shall, upon request, weigh and measure any coal sold in said city, and shall be entitled to demand and receive ten cents for every ton of hard coal weighed, and the same amount for every thirty bushels of bituminous coal measured.