

305. The inspectors shall see that all fish offered for inspection shall have been well struck with salt or pickle in the first instance, and preserved sweet and free from rust, taint or damage; and all such fish of a good and fat quality, with sweet pickle in the barrels and sufficient salt to preserve them, shall be branded herrings, (or other fish as the case may be,) No. 1; those which are not so good, though sound and free from taint, shall be branded No. 2; or if mackerel, No. 2, or No. 3, in their discretion: and such as are not sound or very materially tainted and damaged, shall be condemned and marked with a broad arrow in the bilge of the barrel, half barrel or tierce, as the case may be.

306. When the inspector shall, upon examination, adjudge and determine any fish to be of a very superior quality, and the owner or owners shall furnish him with a branding iron with the first letter of his Christian name and surname at full length, or the name of the firm at full length, the inspector shall add the word prime to No. 1, and also the brand of the owner, and shall receive the sum of two cents for each cask in addition to the usual inspection fee.

307. The inspectors shall also upon each cask inspected by them brand their names, the word Baltimore, the name of the month and the year in which inspected, and upon each barrel, half barrel or tierce of herring, shad or mackerel, the word spring; *Provided*, they believe the said mackerel was caught in the spring of the year in which inspected.

308. If any person shall think himself aggrieved by the judgment of the inspector, he may at his option sue his bond, or may apply to the mayor of the city of Baltimore, who shall thereupon issue his warrant directed to three disinterested persons well skilled in the goodness, quality and well curing of salted fish, to review and examine the same, which said three persons, after having taken an oath of office as reviewers, shall carefully view and examine the same, and if they or any two of them shall declare the same to be sound or merchantable, the inspector shall erase the broad arrow and put such brand on the cask containing the fish as the reviewers or any two of them may determine, and the corporation shall be allowed six cents a barrel for storage, if stored; and if upon such appeal and review the judgment of the inspector shall be confirmed, the person appealing shall pay such storage, and shall also pay the same if the appeal be not prosecuted.