

hogsheads to be weighed, and direct such lessee to mark the same on the head and bilge, with the name of the warehouse, the tare of the hogshead, and quantity of net tobacco therein contained, and also to mark on the head of the hogshead, with marking irons, the initials of the name of the owner and the number of hogsheads then inspected.

511*. Every inspector shall, whenever any tobacco shall be offered for inspection, before inspecting the same, inquire and satisfy himself in what State or Territory such tobacco was grown, and if he has doubts respecting the origin of such tobacco, he shall examine any person offering to give evidence of the fact on oath, and upon his being satisfied thereof, and not before, he shall inspect the same, and enter on his inspection book the name of the State or Territory where such tobacco was grown, and shall certify the same to the lessee of the warehouse in which the same shall be deposited or stored, and the said lessee shall specify the same in all notes and manifests which he may issue for such tobacco; and if such tobacco be not the growth of this State, he shall cause the name of the State or Territory where the same has been grown to be branded with a hot iron by the said lessee on every hogshead; and any inspector or lessee failing to comply with any of the provisions of this section shall, for each offence, forfeit the sum of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, one-half to the informer, and the other half to the State for the benefit of the tobacco fund.

512*. Any hogshead of tobacco which shall be offered to any inspector as Maryland tobacco, for the purpose of being branded as such, which was not raised, cured and packed in the State, shall be forfeited by the person offering the same, and the lessee of the warehouse in which the same may be stored shall sell the same after thirty days' notice, and pay the proceeds to the Treasurer of the State for the benefit of the tobacco fund.

513*. Any person who may feel aggrieved by the decision of the inspector under the preceding section may complain in writing to the Criminal Court of Baltimore, and the said court shall immediately hear and determine the same, and if the court shall decide that the tobacco was the growth of this State, then the tobacco, if not sold, or, if sold, the net proceeds thereof, shall be immediately restored to the owner; but if the court shall decide against the party claiming, he shall pay all costs.