

owner therefor the sum of fifteen cents for every month after the said six months.

544*. In the absence of the wharfinger, the lessee of each warehouse shall have charge and control of the wharf in front of his warehouse so far as relates to the landing of wood or other materials to the exclusion of tobacco; and any master or owner of any vessel lying at a wharf in front of such warehouse not having tobacco on deck, who shall refuse to remove his vessel upon the request of such lessee or his clerk, in order that a vessel having tobacco on board may have the privilege of landing the same, shall pay a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace for said city, for the use of the tobacco fund.

545*. In case of the absence, sickness or any other disability of the inspector of any warehouse, the commissioners shall appoint any one of the clerks of the lessee of said warehouse to act as inspector until his return, recovery or removal of the disability; and the person so appointed shall qualify under oath as all other appointees, and shall receive, for the time he is so employed, such compensation as the commissioners shall determine, not exceeding in proportion the salary of the inspector; and if such absence on the part of the inspector be wilful, and be so certified by the commissioners to the Comptroller, such proportionate compensation to the said clerk shall be paid out of the salary of the inspector so wilfully absenting himself.

546*. A majority of the tobacco commissioners shall be a quorum for the transaction of business; and any vacancy in their number during the recess of the Legislature shall be filled by the remaining commissioners.

547*. Whenever the lease of any lessee of any of said warehouses shall expire, such lessee shall deliver up the warehouse and its appurtenances, with all books and papers relating to the business of such warehouse, to the said commissioners or their order, and they may sue for and recover the same in the name of the State.

548*. Every lessee shall be entitled to the outage and storage on all tobacco inspected in his warehouse and ready for shipment remaining on hand at the time of the expiration of his lease.