

mons, he shall be subject to a fine not exceeding five dollars nor less than fifty cents, to be recovered as small debts are recovered, by summons in the name of the State, and to be applied to the use of the commissioners of the school fund of the county.

99. No free negro or slave shall have or use any row boat, or other boat, on the Potomac River, or the shore thereof, in Prince George's county, without, if a free negro, obtaining a license from a justice of the peace for said county, or if a slave, the special written permit of his master.

100. Any free negro who shall have or use a boat on the shores of the Potomac River, in Prince George's county, without obtaining a license, as provided in the preceding section, shall, upon conviction before any justice of the peace for said county, be fined not less than five nor more than fifty dollars and costs, and the boat shall be condemned and sold by order of the justice, and the fine and proceeds of sale paid to the county commissioners of said county.

101. Any slave, of Prince George's county, who shall have or use any boat in crossing said river, or going to Alexandria, or the District of Columbia, without a special written permit of his master, shall, upon conviction before a justice for said county, be sentenced to receive not less than ten nor more than twenty lashes, and the boat, unless it belongs to a white citizen, and is used without his knowledge, shall be condemned as directed in the preceding section.

102. No justice of the peace for said county shall grant a license to any free negro of said county to have and use a boat on the Potomac River, or the shore thereof, without a written certificate signed by at least two respectable landholders near the place where the said boat is usually had and used, that said free negro is of good moral character.

103. If at any time two or more landholders on the shore of the Potomac River, in said county, shall recommend the suppression of any license under the 99th section of this article, the justice of the peace who granted the license shall notify said negro of such recommendation, and the said negro shall have a right to a hearing before said justice, and the justice shall determine the matter according to justice and right, and suppress or continue such license.