

mileage in returning to his residence during the time he shall be required to attend said court.

WRECKMASTER.

151. It shall be the duty of the wreckmaster, on the earliest intelligence, or on application by or on behalf of any owner or commander of a ship or other vessel being in danger of being stranded, or being stranded, to command any constable or constables to be appointed by him for that purpose, to summon as many men as shall be thought necessary to the assistance of such ship or vessel.

152. If there be any ship or vessel belonging to any citizen of this State riding near the place, he shall have power to demand of the commanding officer thereof, assistance by their boats and such hands as they can conveniently spare, and if any commanding officer shall neglect to give such assistance, he shall forfeit the sum of five hundred dollars, to be recovered by the officer or owner of the distressed ship or vessel in any court in this State.

153*. The wreckmaster of Worcester county shall be entitled to receive twenty-five dollars for the first day he shall go to take charge of a wreck, and ten dollars per day for every day thereafter that his services are required, or that he may be employed or engaged in saving or attempting to save the vessel or cargo.

154*. All others who shall assist in preserving any ship or other vessel in distress, when employed or summoned by the wreckmaster for such service, shall be paid two dollars for each day he shall be engaged.

155. In default of such payment, the vessel or goods shall remain in the custody of the wreckmaster until all charges are paid, or security given for the same to the satisfaction of the parties.

156. He shall, if no person claim the goods saved, take possession thereof, and cause a true description of the marks, numbers and kinds of such goods to be advertised four weeks in the Baltimore and Philadelphia newspapers.

157. He shall, if the goods be perishable, sell the same forthwith, but if not, he shall retain them three months, and if no