

duty of the Judges of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County to specially charge the grand jury of said county upon the execution of the foregoing provisions, and the police authorities of said district are specially charged with the execution thereof, and to that end shall direct such frequent examinations by some of their officers as the County Commissioners may require of all such places. It shall not be lawful in said district for any person, agent, owner or proprietor of any sweatshop, manufacturing establishment or factory where four or more persons are employed, to use any coal oil, gasoline or any other explosive or inflammable compound for the purpose of lighting or heating in any form, except under a special permit from the County Commissioners of Baltimore County granted for that purpose for a period not exceeding one year, the same to be renewed from time to time by said County Commissioners in their discretion; and any person, agent, owner or proprietor violating this provision shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof be fined by the court before which such conviction is had, for every violation the sum of one hundred dollars and costs, and stand committed until such fine and costs be paid. The owner or owners of any such house or building used as a sweatshop, manufacturing establishment or factory where four or more persons are employed, on other than the first floor of such house or building, and the owners or lessees of any public hall, church, school or places of amusement where persons are supposed to congregate on other than the first floor of the same, shall provide suitable fire-escapes for the same; and if any owner or owners, or lessees of any house or building so used fail to make or provide a fire-escape as aforesaid, such owner or owners, or lessees, shall pay a fine of two hundred dollars, to be paid to the County Commissioners as aforesaid and recovered as other fines in this State, or by imprisonment in the county jail for sixty days, or subject to both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Court to charge grand jury.

Pertaining to use of coal oil, etc., in factories.

Fire escapes.

Recovery of fines.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 8, 1904.

CHAPTER 511.

AN ACT to authorize and direct the School Commissioners of Washington County to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a site and the erection of a school house for the white children near Weverton, in said county.