SEC. 7. And be it enacted, That this act shall take Inforce effect from the date of its passage.

Approved, April 1st, 1874.

CHAPTER 214.

AN ACT to repeal chapter eighty-one, of the acts passed at January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to catching oysters with scoops in Dorchester county, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Repealed and Maryland, That the act passed at the January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to catching oysters with scoop in the waters of Dorchester county, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for citizens of Dorchester county to catch oysters with scoops or light dredge in boats not exceeding ten with scoop or dredge tons burthen, according to rule of custom-house measurement, in Honga River, Hooper's Straits, Tar Bay, and that part of Fishing Bay which lies to the southward and westward of a straight line drawn from the middle of Tedious Creek to Clay Island Light-house; provided that no boats licensed under the provisious of this act, shall work within two hundred yards of the shore.

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SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That residents of said county be allowed to catch oysters with scoops or light dredge in the waters above-named, by obtain- Residents. ing from the Clerk of the Circuit Court for said county, a license which shall have effect from the first of September to the first of the next ensuing September of each year; and provided that said license shall not authorize the taking of oysters, as aforesaid, between the first day of May and the fifteenth day of September.