

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 20, sec. 186. 1880, ch. 445.

262. It shall not be lawful for any person to employ any canoe, boat or vessel, in catching or taking oysters with scoop, scrape, drag or dredge, or any similar instrument, within the waters of Pocomoke sound, in Somerset county; nor shall any person take or catch oysters for sale within said waters otherwise than with tongs, as restricted and regulated by the provisions of the general oyster law in force in this State.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 20, sec. 187. 1880, ch. 445.

263. Any person violating the provisions of the preceding section shall be fined in a sum not less than seventy-five dollars nor more than one hundred and fifty dollars for each and every offense, and shall stand committed to the county jail until such fine and the costs of suit are paid.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 20, sec. 188. 1880, ch. 445.

264. On information made under oath, of any violation of the provisions of said section, to any justice of the peace of Somerset county, he shall forthwith issue his warrant to the sheriff or any constable of said county, requiring said officer to proceed forthwith to arrest the party alleged to have been engaged in such violation, and bring him before said justice at once for trial, and upon conviction the offender shall be fined as required by the preceding section.

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265. The said justice of the peace shall either give the case an immediate hearing, or at the instance of the party charged, shall appoint some early day, within the next five days thereafter, to hear the case; the party charged giving such good and sufficient bail as said justice shall require for his appearance; and any party feeling himself aggrieved by any conviction or judgment of said justice, shall have the right to appeal to the circuit court for said county, which shall hear and determine the same as other cases on appeal.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 20, sec. 190. 1878, ch. 373.

266. It shall be unlawful to take or catch oysters with scoops, drags or dredges, or such like instruments, in the waters of the Wicomico river in Somerset county, on the east side of a straight line from the mouth of Rock creek to Clay Island lighthouse; and any person violating this section shall be liable to be tried before any justice of the peace, upon being arrested on warrant from any justice of the peace of said county, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars for every such offense, and shall also forfeit the boat or vessel used or employed in such violation of this section; and the said boat or vessel so forfeited and condemned, shall be sold by the officer making the seizure or arrests, upon ten days' notice of such sale, for cash, together with the sails and furniture of said boat or vessel, and the implements on board said boat used in such illegal taking of oysters; and one-half the proceeds of said sale shall be paid to the informer and