

violation of the provisions of this section; and if after trial the said justice shall find such party guilty of a violation of the provisions of this section, it shall be the duty of the said justice to declare such oyster lot forfeited, and to impose the costs of the prosecution in each case where the lot may be forfeited upon the defendant; provided, that an appeal may be taken in all such cases from the judgment of said justice of the peace to the Circuit Court for Somerset County; and, provided further, that all prosecutions for violations of this section shall be begun within twelve months after the passage of this Act.*

1892, ch. 444, sec. 1.

290. The County Commissioners of Somerset County are hereby authorized and required to have placed upon and keep on the several lines to which it may be lawful to use scoops, scrapes, and dredges or any similar instrument, to take or catch oysters in the waters of Annamessex, Monokin and Wicomico Rivers in Somerset County, such buoys or other marks as may be necessary to plainly designate said several lines, the said buoys or marks to be placed on said several lines as now established by Article twenty of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Somerset County," subtitle "Oysters."

1892, ch. 444, sec. 2.

291. The said county commissioners are hereby authorized to levy upon the assessable property of Somerset County such sum or sums not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars as may be necessary for properly marking said several lines.

1892, ch. 444, sec. 3.

292. Said buoys or other marks being once placed on said several lines it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to remove or deface the same or any one of them, and any person or persons convicted of removing or defacing, or of being concerned in removing or defacing any one of said buoys or other marks so placed to designate said lines, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined by any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for Somerset County, or any judge of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, before whom the offender may be brought, and tried, a sum not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars and be committed to the county jail for Somerset County until said fines and costs are paid.

CLAMS.

1916, ch 179, sec. 1.

293. It shall be unlawful for any person not a resident of Somerset County, to take or catch clams within the waters of said County, and no resident of Somerset County shall take or catch clams, with patent tongs,

*Sec. 3, ch. 121, 1906, repealed all laws inconsistent therewith.