1939, ch. 573, sec. 70D.

78. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this sub-title the State Board of Agriculture is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such entomologists, engineers, attorneys, supervisors, laborers and other persons as it may from time to time deem necessary and it may execute such work as it may undertake in pursuance of this sub-title by contract or force account, as it may deem to be in the best interest of the State.

1939, ch. 573, sec. 70E.

79. The State Board of Agriculture through the State Entomologist or its duly authorized officer or agent is hereby authorized and empowered to accept, use or expend on such terms as may be satisfactory to said Board such aid, gift or loan as may from time to time be made available by the Government of the United States or any agency thereof for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this sub-title.

## Tree and Fruit Inspectors—The Yellows.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 72 1912, sec. 66. 1904, sec. 68. 1892, ch. 639, sec. 1. 1902, ch. 148, sec. 66.

80. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or allow to be and remain on his lands or premises, in the State of Maryland, any peach, almond, apricot, nectarine or other tree infected with the contagious disease known as the yellows, or to offer for sale or shipment, or to sell or ship to others any such trees or the fruit thereof in any form; and any person convicted before any justice of the peace of selling or shipping said trees or the fruit thereof in any form, knowing the same to be so diseased, or after he shall have been notified thereof by an inspector, shall be fined a sum not exceeding ten dollars and costs, and upon failure to pay the same shall be confined in the county jail for a term not exceeding thirty days.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 73. 1912, sec. 67. 1904, sec. 69. 1892, ch. 639, sec. 2.

81. The trees and fruit so infected shall be subject to destruction as public nuisance as hereinafter provided, and no damages shall be awarded in any court of this State or by any justice of the peace thereof against any person or persons for entering upon lands or premises and destroying such diseased trees and fruit if done in accordance with the provisions of this sub-title, and it shall be the duty of every person as soon as he becomes aware of the existence of such disease in any tree or fruit owned by him to forthwith destroy by burning the same or cause it to be destroyed by burning.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 74. 1912, sec. 68. 1904, sec. 70. 1892, ch. 639, sec. 3.

82. It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of the various counties on the application of three or more citizens of said county to appoint each year three competent peach growers for each election district of the several counties or for such of said election districts as said commissioners may deem fit to act as tree and fruit inspectors, who shall hold said office during the year following their appointment or during the pleasure of said county commissioners.