

**10.** If any standard-keeper shall be informed or have reason to suspect that any person is using, or has in his possession with a fraudulent intention, any false beams, scales or measures, he shall examine the same, and if he find them, or any of them, to be false, he shall seize the same as a forfeiture, and adjust and sell them at public auction, and shall annually return a statement of the money received therefor under oath to the county commissioners.

Id s 10  
1825, c 206,  
ss 7, 8  
Keeper to seize  
false measures

**11.** If any weight or measure which shall have been branded or stamped as herein required, shall be broken, injured, altered or changed, or condemned by the standard-keeper, and shall be found thereafter in the use of any person within this State, such person shall forfeit and pay twenty dollars for each offence.

Id s 11  
1825, c 206, s 4  
Penalty for  
using condemn-  
ed weights or  
measures.

**12.** Each standard-keeper shall receive such compensation for the discharge of his duties as the county commissioners shall think proper to allow, which shall be levied on the assessable property of the county and collected as other county charges

Id s 12  
1825, c 206, s 9.  
Pay of keeper.

**13.** Whenever any standard keeper shall be applied to, to adjust scales, weights and measures, by adding to, or diminishing the same, or to adjust scale-beams, he shall be allowed an additional reasonable compensation therefor, to be paid by the party so applying for his services.

Id s 13  
1825, c 206, s 10  
Additional com-  
pensation.

**14.** The one-half of all fines and forfeitures imposed by the preceding sections of this article shall go to the informer, the other to the use of the county, and in all suits therefor, the informer shall be a competent witness

Id s 14  
1825, c 206, s 11.  
Fines and for-  
feitures, how  
applied

**15.** Nothing contained in the preceding sections of this article shall apply to the city of Baltimore, or to any private housekeeper not in trade or pursuing some kind of merchandise as a business.

Id s 15  
1825, c 206, s 13.  
Not to apply to  
city of Balti-  
more or private  
persons

**16.** All measures of dried fruit used in this State shall be fixed and uniform and tried by the standards herein established, and the measure to be filled even, without rise or heap, and the fruit not packed or pressed in the measurement thereof, and every person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine of five dollars, to be recovered before a justice of the peace as other debts, one-half to the informer and the other half to the use of the State.

Id s 16  
1844, c 34.  
Dried fruit,  
how to be  
measured

**17.** Oats shall be bought and sold in this State by struck measure or by weight, at the rate of twenty-six pounds to the bushel.

1872, c 161  
Oats, measure  
of, or weight

**18.** Potatoes in this State shall be sold by weight, at the rate of fifty-six pounds to the bushel, and any person offending against the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine of ten dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace of the city or county where said offence may be committed. This section shall not apply to the sale of potatoes in the counties of Frederick, Washington, Alleghany, Anne Arundel, Carroll and Montgomery.

Art 96, s 18  
1852, c 199  
1860, c 226  
Potatoes.

**19.** Hay and straw, which may be sold by weight in this State, shall be sold by the net hundred, and every twenty hundred pounds net weight shall be a ton.

1861, c 78  
To what coun-  
ties not to  
apply

Art 96, s 19.  
1842, c 120  
Hay and straw.