

1886, ch. 296, sec. 6.

5. Before granting such license the comptroller shall receive for it from the applicant at the rate of three dollars per ton for every ton the boat may measure, and licenses may be issued after the beginning of the oyster season, at the rate of fifty cents per ton per month, for the remainder of the season, and the license shall be exhibited whenever called for by any officer of this State.

Ibid. sec. 7.

6. Any master or person in charge of any vessel who shall violate any of the provisions of the preceding sections by taking oysters unlawfully, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon indictment and conviction in any circuit court in this State, or in the criminal court of Baltimore, before which such case is tried, shall be sentenced to the house of correction for a term not less than three months nor more than one year; and the boat or vessel used in such violation, together with the papers, furniture and tackle on board of said boat or vessel at the time of said violation, shall be forfeited, but shall be released upon the payment of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, and costs and expenses for each and every violation of the preceding sections, in the discretion of the court.

Ibid. sec. 8.

7. Upon information given under oath to any judge of the circuit court or justice of the peace, of any violation of any of the provisions of this law, he shall issue his warrant to the sheriff, or any constable, requiring any of them to whom it may be directed to summon a *posse comitatus*, if necessary, and proceed forthwith to arrest the party or parties alleged to have been engaged in the violation of this law, and to seize and take possession of any boat, canoe or vessel, together with all her tackle and apparel on board of the same, and deliver the same to the judge of the circuit court or a justice of the peace of this State, to be dealt with according to the provisions of sections 1-43 of this article; provided, that any justice of the peace before whom any person is brought charged with a violation of any of said sections of this article, the punishment for which is imprisonment in the house of correction, shall grant the parties charged a speedy hearing, and