

dividing channel; provided, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent the citizens of Queen Anne's and Kent counties from using the waters of Chester river in common, or the citizens of Dorchester and Wicomico counties from using the waters of the Nanticoke river in common, or the citizens of Queen Anne's and Talbot counties from using the waters of Wye river and the mouth thereof in common, or the citizens of Dorchester and Talbot counties from using the waters of the Choptank river in common.

1886, ch 296, sec. 18.

15. Each and every license to take or catch oysters for sale, with rakes or tongs, shall state the name and residence of the person to whom the same is to be granted, the number, together with the length to be obtained by top or over-all measurement, of the canoe or boat licensed, the county in which the same is to be used, and the period at which said license will expire; and every applicant for such license shall pay to the clerk of the court where such license may be granted, and before the issuing and delivery of the same, according to the following rates, viz: For any boat measuring in length twenty feet or less, the sum of two dollars; measuring from twenty to twenty-five feet, the sum of three dollars; measuring from twenty-five to thirty feet, the sum of four dollars; and all over thirty feet, including sloops under custom house tonnage, the sum of five dollars each; and all oysters taken with rakes or tongs shall be culled upon the natural beds where they are taken. The amount received from tonging licenses shall be paid by the clerk to the school commissioners for the public schools in the respective counties where such license is issued; the sum received from white tongers to go to the white schools, and the sum received from colored tongers to go to the colored schools.

Ibid. sec. 19.

16. Every applicant for license to use any canoe or other boat in taking or catching oysters with rakes or tongs, shall be required to make oath or affirmation before the clerk authorized to issue the same, or some justice of the peace, on whose certificate of the taking of such oath or affirmation, the clerk shall issue said license, that the facts set forth in said license are strictly true;