

1884, ch. 76, sec. 8.

**50.** Nothing in the five preceding sections shall be construed in any way to impair, alter or abridge any rights which either State, or the citizens thereof, may be entitled to, either by, through, under or against the compact entered into between the States of Maryland and Virginia, on the twenty-eighth day of March, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, or any existing law of either of said two States.

#### **Packing Oysters.**

1884, ch. 257, sec. 1.

**51.** Every person, firm, joint stock company or corporation packing for sale in this State in hermetically sealed tin cans oysters, commonly known as "cove oysters," by whatsoever name or names the same may be known, shall stamp or cause to be stamped, in legible letters and figures, the words "oysters" in the cap or end of each can, and also the true weight in ounces of the oysters in each of said cans, after the liquor or water is properly drained off, which draining of liquor or water shall consist in pouring the contents on a number ten (10) sieve, and allowing it to drain for one minute before weighing; and any sale of such packed oysters not so stamped shall be void, and the vendor shall not be entitled to recover the price thereof.

Ibid sec. 2.

**52.** Every person, firm, joint stock company or corporation who or which shall sell or offer to sell, or have in his or its possession, with intent to sell contrary to the provisions of the preceding section, any oysters hermetically sealed in tin cans, and required by said section to be stamped as therein stated, not so stamped, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined one hundred dollars for each offence, to be paid to the State treasury and placed to the credit of the oyster packers' fund, and shall also forfeit the oysters not so stamped, to be destroyed by the examiner provided for in the succeeding section, unless already destroyed as hereinafter provided.