

shall have the number of said license painted on each side of the bow of such boat, in black figures, to be on a white ground, of a size not less than five inches in length; and also painted upon two pieces of canvas, one of which shall be sewed upon the starboard side of the jib and the other upon the port side of the mainsail of such boat, and such figures shall not be less than seven inches in length; and the licenses for Talbot county shall be numbered from one upwards, and those for Dorchester county from two hundred upwards.

1878, ch. 359.

250. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of sections 244 and 249 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof by any judge of the circuit court or a justice of the peace for either of said counties, before whom such case may be tried, shall be fined not less than twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars, or forfeit the boat or vessel in possession of the party offending, together with the papers, furniture and tackle on board, in the discretion of the judge or justice hearing such case.

Ibid.

251. The county commissioners of Talbot county shall appoint a competent person to measure all canoes or other boats authorized to catch oysters under section 244, in the waters of Talbot county, according to the rule now in use by the custom house of the United States, said measurer to receive as a fee for his services fifty cents per ton for each ton the boat may measure; to enter into bond to the said county in the sum of five hundred dollars for the faithful performance of his duty, and to hold his office during the term of said commissioners.

Ibid.

252. Any resident of Dorchester or Talbot counties desiring to use any canoe or other boat in catching or taking oysters for sale, with rakes or tongs, in the said Choptank river, shall first obtain, by application to the clerk of the circuit court for said counties, respectively, a license therefor; and such license shall have effect from the first day of June in the year in which it may be obtained to the first day of June succeeding, and shall author-