

of the provisions of sections 272, 273 or 275, shall be authorized and empowered, and it is made his or their duty to arrest and take into custody such person as aforesaid offending, and the boatman or other persons found in said boats, vessels or other craft employed to carry such offender, for the purpose of shooting at wild fowl, contrary to the provisions of said three sections; and also to take in possession the boat, vessel or other craft so as aforesaid used in said violation thereof, together with the guns, ammunition and other traps and furniture found on board said boat, vessel or craft.

1886, ch. 469.

277. The said officer shall carry the person so arrested before some justice of the peace of Queen Anne's county, representing to the said justice the breach of the law committed; and the said justice shall inquire fully into the alleged offence, of which the finding of vessels, boats, floats, canoes, launches, tugs or crafts, employed as aforesaid, or in the possession or use of the persons charged, shall be considered *prima facie* evidence of guilt.

Ibid.

278. The discharge of any gun, rifle or other kind of fire-arms from any vessel, boat, float, canoe, launch, tug or other craft, shall be deemed *prima facie* to be done in violation of the provisions of sections 272 and 273.

Ibid.

279. If on trial before said justice of the peace such person, so as aforesaid arrested and brought before him for trial, shall be found guilty, the said justice shall enter his verdict accordingly, and he shall render a judgment against said person for not less than one hundred and fifty dollars and not more than three hundred dollars against each person engaged, directly or indirectly, in such violation, for each offence, and he may commit him to the county jail in the event of the non-payment of said fine, for a period not exceeding ten days; to be discharged, however, on the payment of the fine within that time.

Ibid.

280. The said justice shall also adjudge and condemn as forfeited to said officer and to the person giving information leading