

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 authorize the use of said canoe or boat in taking or catching oysters on either side of the dividing channel of said river, for sale to any person; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to conflict with the rights of owners or occupants of lands bordering on said river secured and protected under existing laws.

1888, ch 385.

164. For the purpose of more definitely defining the lines for scraping oysters in the Choptank river, in Talbot county, the following lines shall be construed as the mouths of tributaries, to wit: Beginning at Jackson point at the north end of Tilghman island, and running thence to Long or Nelson point, which line shall be construed as defining the mouth of Harris' river; thence from said Long or Nelson point to the south end of Royston's island, and thence in a straight line to Benoine's point, which line shall be construed as the mouth of Broad river and Irish creek.

1888, ch. 394.

165. It shall be unlawful for any person to use or employ any boat or canoe licensed to take oysters with rakes and tongs, in the waters of Talbot, Queen Anne's, Anne Arundel and Dorchester counties, in taking or catching oysters with any implements or device other than ordinary rakes or tongs with wooden shafts, to be used entirely by hand, and without any ropes or hoisting gear whatever. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be liable to the penalties prescribed in the public general laws, article 72, title "Oysters," section 18, for taking oysters with rakes or tongs without license.

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1886, ch. 79.

166. The name of the tributary or branch of the Choptank river known as Dividing creek, extending into Talbot county, and