

inches, without having first paid to the clerk of the circuit court for Charles county, a license of one cent per lineal fathom on all traps, seines or nets of any description.

1872, ch. 198.

69. Any person violating any of the provisions of the three preceding sections shall pay a fine of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars, and forfeit the boat or vessel in his possession, together with the seines, nets, tackle, and all things on board or in anywise pertaining thereto, at the time the offence may have been committed; and in case any person is charged with the violation of any of the provisions of said sections, the burden of proof shall be upon the person so charged, to disprove the said charge.

Ibid.

70. Upon information given upon oath to any justice of the peace of Charles county, of any violation of any of the provisions of sections 66, 67 or 68, he shall issue his warrant for the arrest of the offender, which shall be directed to the sheriff or any constable of the county, to be dealt with according to law; and in such warrant it shall not be necessary to name any such offender, or the owner of any such property, but it shall be sufficient to describe him as a person guilty of violating the law, without naming such person. .

Ibid.

71. It shall be lawful for any citizen, and it shall be the duty of the sheriff or any constable of the county, to arrest, with or without warrant, any person violating any of sections 66, 67 or 68, and to take him before some justice of the peace of the county for trial, and to seize the boat or vessel, together with the seines, nets, tackle and all things on board, or in anywise pertaining thereto, used in such violation, and give notice to the owner thereof, if he can be found, to appear before a justice of the peace of the county on a certain day, within five days from the time of seizure, to show cause why the property so seized should not be condemned; and if the owner of the property so seized shall evade the service of said notice, or cannot be found, then the sheriff or constable, or citizen making the arrest, may give notice by publication in some newspaper published in the county,