

or may set up notices at the most public places in the neighborhood of the seizure, warning the owner of such property to appear before a justice of the peace of the county to be therein named, on a day certain, not less than ten days from the time of seizure, to show cause why the said property should not be condemned.

1872, ch. 198.

72. If, upon the hearing in any case of seizure as aforesaid, the justice of the peace is satisfied that the owner or person having charge of the property so seized is guilty of violating any of the provisions of sections 66, 67 or 68, then such justice shall adjudge the property seized to be condemned and sold by the sheriff or constable seizing the same, after ten days' public notice; and in case such seizure shall be made by any citizen, other than the sheriff or a constable, then the sale of the property so seized shall be sold on ten days' public notice by the sheriff or any constable the said justice may designate; and if the owner fails to appear after the notice herein required to be given, the justice shall proceed *ex parte* to hear and determine any question of forfeiture; and in all cases arising under said sections there shall be an appeal to the circuit court for the county, subject to the same law and rules that govern in other cases of appeal from the decisions of justices of the peace.

Rayner v. State, 52 Md. 368.

Ibid.

73. If the sheriff or constable, or any citizen, making such seizure of property, does not know the name of the owner or person having charge thereof, he may describe him in the notice required to be given as the owner of the property, without naming him; and the justice, if he does not know the name of the owner, may condemn the property as the property of a person guilty of violating the law, without naming such person.

Ibid.

74. The proceeds of sale of any property forfeited as aforesaid, with all costs of prosecution and fines imposed and collected, shall, after paying the expenses of the seizure, condemnation and sale, be divided, one-fourth to the sheriff or constable making the