

use or transplanting or cultivating, but not for sale. Persons violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

1900, ch. 380.

15. Any person who shall violate any provision of sections 7 and 14 of this article shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof before any court of competent jurisdiction shall be fined not less than fifty dollars nor more than three hundred dollars, in the discretion of the court or justice of the peace by which such person shall be tried, or be imprisoned in the county or city jail or in the House of Correction for not less than one month nor more than twelve months, in the discretion of such judge or justice of the peace; provided, however, that any owner, master or person in charge of a canoe or boat used in taking or catching oysters with rakes or tongs, who shall be convicted of having in his possession on said canoe or boat oysters containing more than five per cent. of unmerchantable oysters, as provided in section 8, shall be required to cull his cargo and dispose of the culls as required in section 9 of this article, and shall be fined a sum not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, in the discretion of the judge or justice of the peace before whom such person shall be tried; one-half of every fine imposed for any violation of this section shall be paid to the informer, unless he be an officer of the State fishery force.

Dredging.

1900, ch. 380.

19. The Comptroller of the Treasury shall, upon application of any person who has been a resident of this State for twelve consecutive months next preceding his application, issue a license to such resident and to no other person, to employ such boat in taking or catching oysters with scoop, dredge or similar instrument within the waters of the Chesapeake bay, Potomac river and in Eastern bay, outside of a line drawn from the southwest corner of First Kent Point to north end of Poplar Island; provided, that nothing herein contained shall