CHAPTER 129.

AN ACT to repeal an act passed at the January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter three hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An act for the prevention of cruelty to animals in the City of Baltimore," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Repealed and re-enacted.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the act of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter three hundred and eighty-seven, be and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted so as to read as follows:

Not to torture, &c.

Sec. 2. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That whoever shall unnecessarily overdrive, overload, overwork, torture, torment, deprive of necessary sustenance, cruelly or unnecessarily beat, cruelly mutilate, or cruelly kill, or cause, or procure to be so unnecessarily overdriven, overloaded, overworked, tortured, tormented, deprived of necessary sustenance, cruelly or unnecessarily beaten, mutilated or killed any horse, ox or other animal, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars, nor more than twenty dollars, to be recovered on complaint of any member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, or by any other person before any justice of the peace in Baltimore city, or before any justice of the peace or judge of any court in any county in this State.

Penalty.

Owner, &c, of maimed animal.

Punished.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That every owner, driver or possessor or person having charge or custody of a maimed, disabled or diseased horse, mule or other animal, who shall cruelly work the same when unfit for work or cruelly abandon the same, shall be punished in the same manner as provided in Section two.

Duty of magistrate. SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of any magistrate in the city of Baltimore, or the judge of any court or magistrate in said city or