

CHAPTER 333.

AN ACT to repeal section one, of the acts of General Assembly of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter three hundred and fifty-nine, as embodied in the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Queen Anne's county," sub-title "Oysters," section two hundred and twelve, and to re-enact the same with amendments, and to extend the provisions thereof, when so amended, to Talbot county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section one, of the act of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter three hundred and fifty-nine, of the General Assembly of Maryland, as embraced in the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Queen Anne's county," sub-title "Oysters," two hundred and twelve, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

Repeal

212. No person shall engage in the taking or catching of oysters with rakes or tongs in the waters of Queen Anne's county and Kent county, for the purpose of sale, or use any canoe or other boat in said waters in the taking or catching of oysters with rakes or tongs for sale, nor shall any person serve or be employed on any such boat in the taking, catching or culling of oysters in said waters for sale, unless such person shall have first obtained from the clerk of the circuit court for the county where he shall reside a personal business license authorizing him so to do, for which he shall pay to said clerk a license fee of four dollars, and said license shall have effect from the first day of September to the twenty-fifth day of April, of each and every year, subject to the general law as to the time when oysters shall be taken or caught; the waters of Chester river shall be used in common between the residents of Queen Anne's and Kent counties, in the taking and catching of oysters, and no person other than a *bona fide* resident of Kent or Queen Anne's counties, and who shall have been such for twelve months preceding his application for license, shall be entitled to catch or cull oysters in the waters of Chester river, and no person who is not a *bona fide* resident of Queen Anne's county, and who has been such for twelve months preceding his application for license, shall be entitled to take, catch or cull oysters in any other of the waters of Queen Anne's county; provided, that such license shall not authorize the use of said boat or canoe in taking or catching of oysters in any creek, river, cove, inlet, bay or sound, within the limits of any other county than as hereinbefore specified; and that the boundaries of the counties bordering on navigable water shall be thereby construed so as not to permit the residents of either of these counties to take or catch oysters beyond the channel of the creeks or rivers lying between them and other contiguous counties; and, provided

License.

Limits.