

where taken or caught, and all oysters of a less size than two and one-half inches in length, measured from the hinge to the mouth, together with the shells, shall be left on their natural bars or beds after a sufficient time has elapsed for their culling and throwing over the same after taking them as aforesaid; and the possession of any such oysters and shells on board of any vessel in the waters of said county, or in the possession of any other person in the State of Maryland, when the said oysters and shells have been taken as aforesaid in the said waters of Somerset county in quantities of five bushels or more shall be *prima facie* evidence that the same are uncultured and a violation of the provisions of this act, and the person or persons having possession of such oysters and shells shall be subject to all the fines and forfeitures herein named; and the oysters and shells the possession of which is contrary to the provisions of this sub-title, shall be confiscated and returned to the natural beds or bars where taken at the owners expenses; and any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland shall have jurisdiction to hear and decide such cases, and impose the penalties of this act whenever the said uncultured oysters, as above set forth, may be found on boat or in the possession of any person within the limits of said Somerset county. To cull.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage; but all violations of the provisions of the sections repealed, and all prosecutions pending for violations of the provisions of said sections shall be proceeded with to trial and judgment as if this act had not been passed. Effective.

Approved February 26, 1890.

CHAPTER 45.

AN ACT to enlarge and extend the powers and franchises of the workingmen's permanent building and loan association of Queen Anne's county, so as to enable it to make loans on promissory notes and to purchase evidences of debt.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the powers and franchises of the workingmen's permanent building and loan association of Queen Anne's county, a body corporate, duly incorporated under the general incorporation laws of the State of Maryland, be and the same are hereby enlarged and extended so as to authorize and permit said corporate body to make loans of unemployed funds or moneys to its members or other persons on promissory notes, with a clause embodied in the same for the payment of attorney's commissions of collection, in case of default of payment, to be accompanied with personal security or endorsements, or with collateral security if desired, or To enlarge powers.