

sons at the time of arrest and seizure, together with the boat, craft or float, and all things on board or belonging to the same, or employed to convey the said person or persons to any of the waters aforesaid, all of which said articles and property seized and taken by virtue of this law, shall be condemned and sold. One-half of all fines imposed hereunder, and one-half of the proceeds of the sale of all property as aforesaid, shall go to the informer.

Property seized, condemned and sold.

The proceedings for a violation of this law shall be by indictment in the court having criminal jurisdiction in the county where the offence is committed, and proof that the party charged with shooting ducks in the night time was at or about the place at which a shot was fired, and that he had a gun in his possession on the night in question in the vicinity of and either prior to, at the time of, or after such firing; and that he was a gunner, and sold wild ducks, shall be deemed sufficient evidence to require him to explain satisfactorily such criminalizing circumstances.

Proceedings for violation.

Explain satisfactorily.

Approved March 20, 1878.

CHAPTER 77.

AN ACT to extend the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter eighty three, entitled "An act to incorporate the Merchants' Shot Tower Company of Baltimore."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter eighty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the Merchants' Shot Tower Company of Baltimore," be and the same is hereby extended and continued in full force and effect until the year nineteen hundred, and until the end of the next session of the General Assembly that shall happen thereafter to every intent and purpose, as if the act aforesaid had not expired.

Act extended and continued.