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manders, with or without warrant, to arrest any person or persons, or to seize and take into custody any canoe or canoes, boat or boats, vessel or vessels, with their apparel, tackle and property found on board of said canoe, boat or vessel, whenever such person or persons, canoe, boat or vessel, shall be found violating any of the provisions of this act, and bring the offender or offenders before a Justice of the Peace, to be dealt with as herein provided; and it shall be the duty of the Justice of the Peace before whom such person or persons shall have been taken by said officer, to take cognizance of the same and docket a case or cases in the name of the State against such person or persons, and the said canoe, boat or vessel, and the said Justice shall proceed to try the same and render judgment as provided by this act.

Citizens excepted.

SEC. 10. *And be it enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to take or catch oysters within the waters of said county, except citizens of this county, or in Nanticoke river, except citizens of Wicomico and Dorchester counties, and any person or persons violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to like penalties as are prescribed in the preceding sections of this act.

Posse comitatus.

SEC. 11. *And be it enacted*, That all owners and masters of canoes, boats or vessels licensed to take or catch oysters, of Wicomico county, being white men, are hereby constituted officers for the purpose of arresting and taking before any Judge of any Circuit Court or Justice of the Peace who shall have jurisdiction therein, any person or persons who may be engaged in violating any of the provisions of this act, and of seizing any canoe, boat or vessel engaged therein, and all such owners and masters are hereby vested with power to summon the *posse comitatus* to aid in making such arrest and seizure.