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land to the end of North Point on Poplar Island, which are reserved for the taking or catching of oysters with tongs worked exclusively by hand, shall be open to the citizens of Talbot county licensed under this section; but it shall be unlawful to take or catch oysters with scrapes, scoops or dredge in any other waters of Talbot county; provided further, that the said clerks of the said Courts, as aforesaid, upon application of any owner a resident for one year in either of said counties, and to no other person, of a boat of the size of ten and fifty-two one-hundredths tons gross or under, which was licensed to take oysters, as aforesaid, with scoop, scrape or dredge in said waters for the dredging season ending March the fifteenth, 1900, be and they are hereby authorized and directed upon a certificate of the admeasurers hereinafter referred to, and provided for, and upon full compliance with the provisions for the issuing of license hereinafter referred to, to issue a license for the use of said boat in taking oysters in the waters aforesaid, in the manner aforesaid; but no license shall be issued to any boats so licensed for said dredging season ending on March 15, 1900, the tonnage of which is greater than ten and fifty-two one-hundredths gross tons by rules of custom-house measurement, to be ascertained by said admeasurer, and if either of the clerks authorized by this Act to issue such license shall issue the same without the said admeasurer's certificate, when such certificate is necessary or contrary to the provisions of this Act, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; and upon conviction thereof before a justice of the peace, or either of said Courts having jurisdiction thereof, shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars for each and every offense, and stand committed until such fine and costs are paid.

Penalty for violation.

Unlawful to use dunnaged boat.

Section 162 of Article 21, and Section 251 of Article 10. It shall not be lawful for any dunnaged boat, canoe or vessel to be employed to catch oysters with scoop, scrape or dredge in the waters in common between Dorchester and Talbot counties, and all timbers more than five and one-half inches in depth used in the construction of said boat, to which her bottom is fastened or any and all other materials used to make the space between the ceiling and bottom planks over five and one-half inches, and all ceiling over two inches thick, and any or all materials used between such ceiling and deck decreasing custom-house tonnage, shall be considered dunnage. The Governor of this State shall, on or before the first day of July in each year, appoint two competent persons, one from Dorchester county and one from Talbot county, to be known as admeasurers, to examine and measure all boats in the counties