

article, and one-third of the moneys received from the county scraping licenses, and all fines, penalties or forfeitures imposed Oyster fund. in pursuance thereof, shall, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, be paid into the treasury, and placed to the credit of a fund which shall be called "The Oyster Fund," and the same shall be kept separate and distinct from other funds in the treasury, and shall only be drawn upon for the purpose of maintaining sufficient and proper police regulations for the protection of fish and oysters in Maryland waters, and in the payment of the officers and men, and keeping in repair and supplying the necessary means of sailing the boats and vessels of the State Fishery Force; and the Comptroller is hereby required to state in his annual report particularly the receipts and expenditures on account of said funds, and the balance standing to the credit of the State at the time of making such report.

30. The Comptroller shall have painted in black figures on white canvass, two sets of numbers corresponding to the Numbers. license to catch oysters with scoop, scrape, dredge, or any other similar instruments; each figure shall be twenty-two inches in length, and of proportionate width, and the figures at least six inches apart; and he shall give to each person taking out such license, two numbers thereof, one of which shall be securely sewed upon the starboard side, and in the middle of that part of the mainsail which is above the close reef, and the other number on the port side in the middle part of the jib, which is above the bonnet and reef; these numbers shall be placed in an upright position, and worn at all times during the dredging season, and returned at the end of the season, and shall not be concealed or defaced, and no other number shall be exposed to view, or used, than that which is furnished by the Comptroller. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, as provided in section fifteen of this article; and in any such case the boat or vessel shall be forfeited and condemned, in the discretion of the judge, in the manner as provided in section twenty-seven. The provisions of this section shall apply to all boats licensed to take oysters with scrape or scoop by any county in this State, except that the numbers for such boats shall be painted red instead of black; and the numbers shall be delivered by the Comptroller to the clerks of the courts as they may be ordered; and at the end of the season all licenses not used shall be returned by said clerks to the Comptroller; and the said clerks shall also pay to the Comptroller one-half of all moneys