

Peace for the City of Baltimore, from the master, owner or person in charge of the obstructing vessel, for the use of the master, owner or person in charge of the vessel obstructed; but such penalty shall not be recoverable where the obstruction proceeds from any unavoidable cause.

*Wharfinger and Wharves.*

**472.** No person shall land any wood or lumber on Pratt street wharf, between Light street and Franklin lane; and the Mayor shall enforce the provisions of this section.

**473.** If any person shall violate the provisions of the preceding section he shall be subject to a fine of twenty dollars, one-half to the informer and the other half to the State.

**474.** The said fine may be sued for and recovered in the name of the State before any Justice of the Peace for said City, in the same manner as small debts.

**475.** It shall be the duty of every Justice of the Peace for said City to make an annual return to the State Treasurer, of all fines imposed under the provisions of the foregoing section, and to receive and pay over the same at the time of making said return.

**476.** The Mayor and City Council may regulate by ordinance the time during which any goods, wares, merchandise or other articles may remain on any wharf belonging to the City, or on any of the public wharves other than wharves belonging to or rented by the State, and that part of Pratt street wharf reserved for the use of the State, within the said City, or the time which the vessels, boats or scows taking in or discharging such goods, wares or merchandise shall remain at said wharves, and may regulate, establish and collect for the use of the City such wharfage as they may think reasonable, upon any goods, wares, merchandise or other articles handled at or upon and shipped from any of such wharves.

**477.** Any person who shall charge, exact or receive more than six and a quarter cents upon each cord of wood landed