

ment in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than three years, or be both fined and imprisoned in the discretion of the Court.

#### THRESHING STREAMS.

Sec. 16. It shall be unlawful for any person to whip or beat any of the waters of this State with poles, sticks or any other thing, for the purpose of driving fish into nets, seines or any other contrivance for catching fish, provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to the waters of Kent County and Queen Anne County, except to the waters of the Sassafras River and its tributaries.

#### REMOVAL OF FISH WITHOUT PERMISSION UNLAWFUL— PENALTY.

Sec. 17. Any person or persons taking and carrying away fish belonging to another person, with intent to convert the same to their own use, from any boat, live box, or in the pocket or crib of any pound net or inclosed or gilled in a fish net of any kind, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon trial and conviction shall be fined a sum not exceeding \$100, or sentenced to the county jail in the county where he shall be first brought for trial, or to the Maryland House of Correction, for a period not exceeding two years, or both fine and imprisonment.

#### ANCHORED BOATS NOT TO INTERFERE WITH ANY FISHERY.

Sec. 18. No vessel or boat of any description, unless compelled to do so by stress of weather or any other unavoidable accident, shall be anchored or stayed in any fishery of the waters of this State at any time during the shad and herring season, but shall depart within one-half hour when ordered to do so by the owner or occupier of such fishery.

#### VESSELS SAILING THROUGH SEINES.

Sec. 19. If any vessel, float or boat shall be wittingly, wantonly and maliciously, or from gross negligence, sailed through any seine extended in any fishery, the skipper, captain or other person commanding such vessel, float or boat shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall pay upon conviction before a justice of the peace or court of competent jurisdiction, a fine equal to the damages ascertained as suffered by the owner or