

or any part thereof, on any boat or vessel to be used in taking, buying or carrying seed oysters, and it shall be the duty of the officer who issues said permit to first inspect said boat or vessel and satisfy himself that no such appliance is on said boat or vessel before he issues any permit; and any person who shall have any scoop, scrape or dredge, or any part thereof, on any boat or vessel engaged in catching, buying and carrying seed oysters or oysters measuring less than three inches from hinge to mouth, and any owner or master of any boat or vessel violating the provisions of this section by having any scrape, scoop, or dredge, or any part thereof, on any boat or vessel engaged in taking, catching, buying or carrying seed oysters shall be fined not less than Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), and in addition thereto, the boat or vessel so used with its cargo and equipment be forfeited to the State wherein such offender is convicted.

(f) It shall be unlawful for any person to take or catch oysters from the Potomac River by means of a dredge or scrape, or any instrument other than ordinary shaft or patent tongs at any season of the year. Any person violating the provisions of this section, upon conviction thereof, shall be confined in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than three years, or may be confined in jail not exceeding one year, and fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), either or both, in the discretion of the court or jury trying the case. In any prosecution of the violation of this section against the master or commander of a boat, or any of his crew, or any person on board thereof, proof that such boat was equipped with a crank, dredge or scrape shall be *prima facie* evidence of the violation of this section. Any boat, vessel or other craft, her tackle, apparel, anchor, cables, rigging and appurtenances, and any dredge, scrape or other instrument used in violation of the provisions of this section shall, together with the cargo of such boat, vessel or craft, be condemned as forfeited to the State in proceedings, as provided for the enforcement of forfeitures.

(g) All offenses committed against the provisions of this section by persons not citizens and residents of either State may be punished by any of the magistrates or courts of either State having criminal jurisdiction.

The authorities of either State shall have the right to examine into the right of any person taking fish, oysters or crabs in the Potomac River, or having same in his possession; and any person taking fish, oysters or crabs in the Potomac River or having same in his possession shall exhibit his author-