

may unavoidably cause such obstruction or hindrance by being wrecked or otherwise in stress of weather; and when the party injured, obstructed or hindered as aforesaid, shall fail or refuse to render assistance in removing the obstruction or hindrance so caused.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That whenever any person shall make affidavit that the provisions of this act have been violated, it shall be the duty of the magistrate before whom such affidavit shall be made, to issue his warrant directed to any sheriff or constable or other person appointed by him on the occasion, for the immediate apprehension of the person charged with violating the provisions aforesaid, and for bringing him before such magistrate, or before any other magistrate of the same county, also directing the officer serving the warrant, to take the boat or other fixture unlawfully used; and the justice before whom such person shall be brought, if he shall believe from the evidence adduced before him, that the act has been violated by such person, shall commit him to the jail of the county, unless he shall enter into a recognizance with a sufficient security in a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, for his appearance at the next county court, to answer any information, indictment or presentment, which may be filed or made against him; and upon such information, indictment or presentment being made, the said court shall proceed to try the same without delay.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That if any person charged with offending as aforesaid, shall fail or refuse to enter into the recognizance above required, within a reasonable time, the boats, nets, seines and other fixtures used by such person, shall be sold after ten days public notice, with the prohibition that the seines or nets so sold, shall not be used for the purpose for which they were originally intended.

CHAPTER 149.

*An act supplemental to an act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter one hundred and three, entitled an act authorising a reduction of the maximum charge for passengers on the Washington Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, as at present established.*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act,

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Make affidavit.

Issue warrant.

Commit to jail

Recognizance.

Ten days notice.

Passed Feb. 21, 1846.

Reduce rate of tolls.