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tioned, shall be divided or apportioned in the following manner: one-half to the officer and those who assisted him in making the arrest and seizure, and the balance to be paid over to the commissioners of the county for the benefit of the school fund of the county.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage. In force.

CHAPTER 4.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT to the act of Assembly passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, chapter two hundred and fifty-four, entitled, an act to prevent the destruction of oysters in the waters of this State, and the several supplements thereto, and entitled, an act to regulate the catching of oysters in the waters of Somerset county. Passed Feb. 10, 1854.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall be lawful for the citizens of Somerset county, to take or catch oysters with a scoop or drag in any of the waters of said county, not parcel of any creek or river, not within two hundred yards distance from the shore, and in waters not less than twenty-one feet deep. Lawful to catch oysters with scoop or drag.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset county, upon the application of any citizen of said county, to issue a license to such citizen, authorising him to take and catch oysters, with scoops or drags, in the waters of said county, subject to the provisions of this act, for one year from the date of said license, for which the person or persons so applying shall pay to said clerk the sum of fifteen dollars; *Provided*, that the person so applying for a license shall be first required to make oath, that he is a bona fide owner of the vessel to be licensed, that he has been a bona fide citizen of the State for one year immediately preceding said application, and six months a resident of the county, and that the license is intended for his use only. Duty of the clerk to issue license. Proviso.