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tierce of fish, which hath not been inspected, with any mark or brand similar to, or in imitation of, the inspector's mark or brand, or after the said inspector shall have passed any barrel, half barrel or tierce of fish, as merchantable, shall pack into the cask which contains the same any other salted fish, or after any barrel, half barrel or tierce of fish, shall be marked with the broad arrow, shall unpack and repack the same into other casks or packages for exportation or sale, such person shall forfeit and pay, for each and every offence, twenty dollars.

Fish to be repacked if required by inspector.

13. *And be it enacted*, That all casks of salted fish brought to the city of Baltimore for sale, and which by this act is directed to be inspected, shall be filled up by the owner or owners, person or persons, employed for that purpose, and by him or them repacked, or repickled, as the case may be, if required so to be done by the inspector, and in all respects completed in such manner as he shall direct, for the purpose of having the same made fit for exportation, and any owner or owners, person or persons thus employed by them, refusing or neglecting to comply therewith, shall forfeit and pay five dollars for each and every offence; and any herrings, or other fish, required by this act to be inspected, which shall, on the examination thereof by the inspector, prove to be falsely packed, that is to say, the fish in one part of the cask proves to be of different and inferior quality from the other, or packed with any improper or unfit substances, with intent to defraud the owner or owners, agent or agents, shall forfeit and pay, for each and every cask, the sum of five dollars.

Allowance to inspector

14. *And be it enacted*, That the said inspector, or his deputy, shall receive for inspecting every barrel, half barrel or tierce of herrings, the sum of six cents, and no more, except as herein before provided, and for every barrel, half barrel or tierce of shad, the sum of twelve cents, and no more, except as herein before provided, and for all other kinds of pickled or salted fish, the same fees as are allowed for herrings; all which said fees shall be paid by the person requiring said fish to be inspected.

How fines are to be recovered.

15. *And be it enacted*, That all and every fine imposed by this act, shall and may be recovered in the name of the mayor of the city of Baltimore, by a common warrant before a justice of the peace, and one half thereof shall be appropriated to the informer, and the other half to the use of the corporation of the city of Baltimore.

Inspectors for other parts of the state may be appointed

16. *And be it enacted*, That the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the council, shall and may appoint such person or persons as they may deem it expedient, inspector or inspectors of salt fish in such other places in this state as they may think proper, and said inspector or inspectors shall be governed by the same rules in regard to his or their inspection, and be entitled to the same fees as are herein provided for the inspector or deputy inspector; and if any person or persons shall inspect, mark or brand, any fish within this state, without being appointed and commissioned as herein provided, and contrary to the true intent and meaning of this act, he, she or they, shall for every offence forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered by indictment in the name of the state, one half for the benefit of the informer, the other half to be for the use of the state.

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