

§ 477. **【Jurisdiction over violators; prosecution; jury trial.】**
Award of property to rightful owner by court.

【The several justices of the peace in the respective counties of this State shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts for their respective counties, in the case of persons arrested for the violation of the provisions of § 474 hereof, and such respective justices of the peace shall proceed to hear and determine such cases when the parties arrested upon charges of such violation are respectively brought before them, and to acquit such persons, or to sentence such persons for the offense if convicted thereof, unless such respective persons so charged, when so brought before any such justice of the peace and before they are respectively tried, as aforesaid, shall pray a jury trial. If any person charged with the commission of any one or more of the several offenses mentioned in § 474 hereof, and brought before any justice of the peace, shall pray a jury trial as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the said justice of the peace to commit such person for trial, or to hold him in bail to appear before the circuit court for the county; and to return the commitment or the recognizance in such case immediately to the clerk of said court, and i】 If 【such】 any person or persons shall be found guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of § 474 hereof, the court 【or justice of the peace】 imposing the punishment therein prescribed shall also award to the rightful owner or dealer possession of all of the property involved in such violation.

§ 482. Throwing ballast, ashes, oyster shells, etc., into.

If any ballast, ashes, filth, earth, soil, oysters or oyster shells be taken, unladen or cast out of any ship, steamboat, scow, pungy or other vessel on any pretense whatever in Chesapeake Bay above “Sandy Point” or in the waters of Herring Bay or in any river, creek or harbor within this State below high water mark, the master or other person having charge or command of such ship, steamboat, scow or other vessel shall, upon conviction thereof 【before any justice of the peace of this State】, be fined not less than twenty dollars nor more than one hundred and fifty dollars【, one half of which amount shall be paid to the informer and the other half to the State; but anyone convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be entitled to appeal to the circuit court for the county in which he was convicted, or to the Baltimore City Court if the offense was committed in the City of Baltimore】; this section shall not, however, be construed to apply to the improvement of harbors or to affect any existing act of Assembly relating to the construction of wharves or to the rights of riparian proprietors.

§ 492. Working on Sunday; permitting children or servants to game, fish, hunt, etc.; Baltimore, Prince George’s and Montgomery counties and certain persons excepted.

No person whatsoever shall work or do any bodily labor on the Lord’s day, commonly called Sunday; and no person having children or servants shall command, or wittingly or willingly suffer any of them to do any manner of work or labor on the Lord’s day (works of necessity and charity always excepted), nor shall suffer or permit any children or servants to profane the Lord’s day by gaming, fishing, fowling, hunting or unlawful pastime or recreation; and every person transgressing this section and being hereof convicted 【before a justice