

Liber H. S. up or coming down the said Rivers or shall take or destroy any  
 No. 1 kind of Fish whatsoever in any such Ware Fishing Dam Pott or  
 other Device aforesaid every such Person or Persons so offending  
 contrary to the true Intent and meaning of this Act being legally con-  
 victed thereof by the Oath of one or more credible Witness or  
 Witnesses or by his or their Confession shall forfeit and pay the  
 [Penalty how to be recovered and applied] sum of Twenty Pounds Current Money for every such Offence one  
 Moiety of which Sum so forfeited to be paid to the Informer or  
 Prosecutor and the other Moiety thereof to be paid to the Sheriff  
 of the County where the Recovery shall be had to be by him paid  
 and accounted for to the Justices of the several County Courts re-  
 p. 677 spectively and by them applied towards clearing the Nagivation of  
 the said Rivers to be Recovered by Action of Debt Bill Plaint or  
 Information with full Costs of Suit in any County Court of this  
 Province where such Offender shall be apprehended or reside

[Wears, &c. may be destroyed] And be it Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent afore-  
 said That it shall and may be lawful to and for any Person or Persons  
 whatsoever to break throw down remove and destroy all or any such  
 Ware or Wares Fishing Dam Pott or other Device built or set up  
 or to be built or set up in the aforesaid Rivers for catching of Fish as  
 aforesaid

[Persons sued, may plead the general issue] And be it further Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent  
 aforesaid That if any Person or Persons shall be sued or impleaded  
 for breaking throwing down removing or destroying any such Ware  
 or Wares Fishing Dam Pott or other Device built or set up contrary  
 to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act it shall and may be lawful  
 for such Person or Persons to plead the general Issue and give this  
 Act and the special matter in Evidence and if upon Trial the Plaintiff  
 or Plaintiffs shall be Nonsuit or shall discontinue his or their Suits  
 then and in such Case the Defendant or Defendants shall recover  
 double Costs

[Seins may be drawn in Patuxent, from the 20<sup>th</sup> of February, to the 20<sup>th</sup> of May, annually, 4 days in each week] And be it further Enacted That no Person or Persons whatsoever  
 shall from and after the twentieth Day of February next until the  
 twentieth Day of May ensuing and so Yearly and every Year during  
 the Times aforesaid hale draw or lay across any Sein or Seins thereb  
 to catch or take any kind of ffish in the said River of Patuxent from  
 Mount Calvert to the Head thereof except on Tuesday, Wednesday,  
 Thursday and Friday in each Week during the Times aforesaid and  
 the Continuance of this Act And that if any Person or Persons shall  
 hale draw or lay across any Sein or Seins on the other Day or Days  
 except as before excepted during said Time and be thereof legally  
 convicted by the Oath of one or more credible Witness or Witnesses  
 or by his or their Confession shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten  
 Pounds Current Money to be recovered and applied as aforesaid

[Proviso] Provided always that nothing in this Act contained shall prevent  
 any Person or Persons whatever from erecting such Wares as are