

out the provisions of this act a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. The amounts allowed under this act shall be paid only to the person named in the certificate of allowance or to his executor or administrator. Payment of amounts allowed.

SECTION 3. No claims shall be allowed under this act unless presented within one year from the passage thereof. Claims to be presented within one year.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved March 19, 1897.*

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE JURISDICTION OF DISTRICT, POLICE AND MUNICIPAL COURTS. Chap.180

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows :*

Section thirty-nine of chapter three hundred and ninety-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by inserting after the word "destroyed", in the fifth line, the words:—or the amount of the injury done,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 39.* They shall have jurisdiction, as aforesaid, of the offence of indecent exposure of the person; of violation of the provisions of section one hundred and three of chapter two hundred and three of the Public Statutes, when the value of the property destroyed or the amount of the injury done is not alleged to exceed one hundred dollars; of all nuisances at common law; and of the offence at common law of keeping and maintaining a common, ill governed and disorderly house; and in such cases may punish by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the jail or house of correction not exceeding one year. 1893, 396, § 39, amended.

*Approved March 19, 1897.*

Jurisdiction of offence of indecent exposure, etc.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TAKING OF EELS IN OYSTER POND IN THE TOWN OF EDGARTOWN. Chap.181

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows :*

SECTION 1. The owners of the land in the town of Edgartown lying between Oyster pond in said town and the ocean, and bordering on said pond, may during the months of October and November in each year set eel-pots or weirs extending from their said lands into said pond, and may, during said months, by means of said pots or weirs take eels from the waters of said pond. Owners of certain land may take eels from Oyster pond.