

AN ACT TO CONFIRM CERTAIN ACTS OF THE TOWN OF TYRINGHAM. *Chap. 178**Be it enacted, &c., as follows:*

SECTION 1. All acts done by the town of Tyringham at its annual meeting held the first day of April in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, shall have the same force and effect as if the warrant calling said meeting had been properly served and returned.

Acts done at annual meeting confirmed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 24, 1878.*AN ACT FOR THE BETTER PROTECTION OF THE OYSTER FISHERIES IN THIS COMMONWEALTH. *Chap. 179**Be it enacted, &c., as follows:*

SECTION 1. No person shall dig, take or carry away any oysters by any method whatever, from any flats or creeks, for which a license has been granted under the provisions of section sixteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, between sunset and sunrise. Any person holding a license under the provisions of said section who shall violate the foregoing provisions, shall upon conviction thereof, in addition to the penalties hereinafter provided, forfeit his license together with the oysters remaining on the premises licensed, to the town or city granting the same.

Oysters not to be taken between sunset and sunrise.

Penalty.

SECTION 2. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, and any person who digs or takes any oysters from any flats or creeks described in any license granted under the provisions of section sixteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, during the continuance of such license, without the consent of the person so licensed, shall be punished by a fine not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the house of correction not less than thirty days nor more than six months, or by both said fine and imprisonment. One half of said fine shall be paid to the complainant and the other to the county within whose jurisdiction the offence was committed.

Taking oysters without permission, punishable by fine or imprisonment.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of June next.

To take effect June 1, 1878.

*Approved April 24, 1878.*AN ACT IN RELATION TO RAILROAD POLICE. *Chap. 180**Be it enacted, &c., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section one hundred and forty-nine of chapter three hundred and seventy-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, is hereby

Loitering at railroad station. 1874, 372, § 149.

amended by inserting before the word "officer," where it occurs in said section, the word "police."

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved April 24, 1878.

Chap. 181

AN ACT RELATING TO ARRESTS IN CERTAIN CASES.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

Arrest without warrant for violation of certain by-laws.

Whoever remains upon a street or sidewalk, or elsewhere, in any city or town in wilful violation of an ordinance or by-law, and whoever, upon any street, sidewalk, or in any other public place, accosts or addresses any other person with profane or obscene language in wilful violation of an ordinance or by-law, may be arrested without a warrant by any officer authorized to serve criminal process in the place where the offence is committed, if unknown to the officer making such arrest, and may be kept in custody until he can be taken before a court having jurisdiction to punish such offence. *Approved April 24, 1878.*

Chap. 182

AN ACT APPORTIONING TAXES ON REAL ESTATE, WHEN DIVIDED BEFORE THE PAYMENT OF THE TAXES OR SALE OF THE REAL ESTATE.

Be it enacted, &c., as follows:

Real estate divided after taxation, may have tax apportioned upon the several parcels thereof.

SECTION 1. Whenever the assessors of any city or town in this Commonwealth have assessed a tax upon real estate, and such real estate has been subsequently divided by sale, mortgage or otherwise, by the owner or owners thereof or upon a petition for partition, and record of such division has been made in the registry of deeds for the county in which such real estate is situated, it shall be the duty of the assessors at any time before said real estate has been sold for non-payment of taxes, upon the written request of the owner or mortgagee of any portion thereof, to apportion said tax and the costs and interest accrued thereon, upon the several parcels into which said real estate has been divided in proportion to the value of each parcel thereof, and only the portion of said tax, interest and costs, so apportioned upon any such parcel, shall thereafter continue to be a lien upon it, and no one of such owners or mortgagees shall thereafter be liable for the tax so apportioned upon any parcel not owned in whole or in part by him at the time of such apportionment.

Parties interested to be notified.

SECTION 2. Notice of the request and of the time appointed for such apportionment shall be sent by mail by the assessors to all persons interested in said real estate whose addresses are known to them.