porations mentioned in Sections 85A, 85B and 85C of this Article, shall be liable for the payment of the franchise tax imposed herein upon their respective corporations, and in the same manner as though they had jointly, severally, and agreed to pay the same; and the State Tax Commissioner is hereby charged with the duty of carrying the provisions of said sections into effect by assessing the said franchise tax upon the several corporations in said sections required to pay the same.

Approved April 5, 1900.

CHAPTER 273.

AN ACT to more definitely define the waters in Talbot County where oysters may be taken with scrape, scoop or dredge, by residents of said county.

SECTION I. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Mary-Talbot County land, That the waters of Talbot County lying within the fol-may be taken lowing lines—that is to say, from a line drawn from Lowe's by residents. Point on the mainland to North Point on Poplars Island; thence to the buoy on North Point of Poplars Island; thence to Wade's Point buoy; thence to Wade's Point, are hereby open to residents of Talbot County who may hold a license to take oysters with scrape, scoop or dredge in the waters of Talbot County, issued by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Talbot County.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That any person who shall take Penalty for oysters with scrape, scoop or dredge within the limits defined taking oysters in the preceding section, without having first obtained a license, limits without a license, a license. as provided in said section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof by any Judge of the Circuit Court or justice of the peace of said county, before whom such case may be tried, shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, or forfeit the boat or vessel in possession of the party offending, together with papers, furniture and tackle on board, or both, in the discretion of the judge or justice trying such case.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That all Acts and parts of Acts. general or local, inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1900.