

SEC. . . Any justice of the peace residing in said town, or, in the absence of such justice, any justice of the peace of election district number three, in Talbot county, upon complaint made before him of the violation of any law, by-law or ordinance of said corporation, shall issue process, in the name of the commissioners of Oxford, to recover the fine or penalty imposed for the violation of such law, by-law or ordinance, against the party offending, and may hear and determine the matter as in any case arising under the laws of the state, and shall receive the same fees therefor; the justice shall, in default of the payment of any fine or penalty imposed by him for a violation of any law, by-law or ordinance of the said corporation, commit the party fined to the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty days; and the sheriff of Talbot county shall receive and confine the party so committed in the same manner as other persons, and shall be entitled to the same compensation therefor, to be paid by the commissioners of Talbot county.

Issue process.

Commit to county jail.

How construed

SEC. . . Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to affect the tenure of office of the commissioners of said town in office at the time of the passage of this act, and who were elected on the first Monday in June, eighteen hundred and eighty-three; but said commissioners shall continue in office until the expiration of the time for which they were elected, and shall continue to exercise the powers and perform the duties now or hereafter vested in them by law until the expiration of the time for which they were elected, or until their successors shall qualify.

Approved March 20, 1884.