

to catch oysters with scoops or light dredges ; and said Examiner as soon as notified and paid two dollars and traveling expenses, if any, by the managing owner of said boats, proceed to examine said boat, and shall report without unnecessary delay in writing under oath to said Clerk, and his report shall be filed in the Clerk's office ; if the report states the boat contains dunnage, or contained dunnage when measured by Custom House Measurer, the said Clerk shall not issue license for said boat to take or catch oysters with scrapes or light dredges, but the owner may remove all of said dunnage, and again have said boat remeasured by the proper Custom House Measurer, and examined by the Examiner, and if under ten tons, and if all other requirements and conditions hereinafter provided, shall be complied with, the Clerk shall issue license for said boat ; provided, that this section shall not apply to boats licensed previous to the passage of this act, to take or catch oysters with scrapes or dredges in said waters ; but this provision shall not be so construed as to make it lawful for any boat, over ten tons, Custom House measurement, to be used in taking or catching oysters with scoops or dredges in the waters of said county.

Proviso.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Dorchester county shall, upon the application of the managing owner, who has been a resident of said county for twelve months next preceding such application, and to no other person, issue a license to such resident, to employ his boat of a capacity of ten tons or under in taking or catching oysters with scrapes or dredges in the waters named, which license shall hold good for one season only, and shall authorize the catching of oysters from the first day of October to the first day of April, inclusive, on which day the license shall expire ; but it shall be lawful for the owner of any such licensed boat to transfer this license to a *bona fide* resi-

For one season only.