CHAPTER XVIII.

[H. B. No. 171.]

RELATING TO DREDGING FOR OYSTERS.

An Acr relating to dredging for oysters, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. It shall not be lawful to dredge for the purpose of taking oysters from the natural oyster beds in the waters of and within the State of Washington, except under the supervision of the state or United States government for experimental or scientific purposes.

SEC. 2. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100), or be confined in the county jail for a period not less than ten nor more than sixty days, or be both fined and imprisoned at the discretion of the court.

Passed the house February 7, 1895. Passed the senate February 27, 1895. Approved March 1, 1895.

CHAPTER XIX.

[S. B. No. 70.]

VALIDATING CERTAIN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

An Act validating certain articles of incorporation, and validating the corporations formed or attempted to be formed by virtue of said articles of incorporation, and validating the acts of said corporations.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. That all instruments purporting to be articles of incorporation for a college, seminary, church, library,

or benevolent, charitable, or scientific society, made and executed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 9, title 18, of volume 1 of Hill's Annotated Statutes and Codes of Washington, or under and by virtue of the provisions of sections 2450 to 2454, both inclusive, of the Code of Washington of 1881, except that the same have been acknowledged before an officer authorized by law to take the acknowledgment of deeds, and have not been sworn to by the trustees as by said laws required, or have been filed with the auditor of the county where the chief place of business of the corporation so purporting to be formed is located, instead of being recorded as by said laws required, or which are defective in both of said respects, are hereby declared to be, and are hereby made to be, good and valid articles of incorporation; and the corporations formed, or attempted to be formed by virtue of said articles of incorporation, are hereby declared to be, and are hereby made, good and valid, and existing corporations, with the same and as full powers, rights and liabilities as they would have had if the said articles of incorporation had been executed and recorded as by law required, and that all acts, deeds, and proceedings had or done by said corporations, or under said articles of incorporation, and all rights acquired as to both real and personal property, and all obligations of every kind incurred by such corporations, are hereby made of the same force, effect and validity as if said articles of incorporation had been executed as required by law.

Passed the senate, February 13, 1895. Passed the house, February 28, 1895. Approved March 2, 1895.