

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1857.

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from her personal estate, and a distributive share in the residue thereof, in the same manner as a widow is in the estate of her husband; and if she leaves issue, he shall have the use of one-third; if no issue, of one-half of her real estate, for his life, to be recovered and assigned in the manner and with the rights of dower.

[Approved March 16, 1857.]

### Chapter 9.

An act granting further powers and privileges to agricultural and horticultural societies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Any agricultural or horticultural society, legally incorporated, may take and hold property, real and personal, the annual income of which shall not exceed three thousand dollars, to be applied exclusively to the advancement of agriculture and horticulture, and the arts connected therewith; and the several treasurers of said societies shall give suitable bonds to the board of trustees of said societies, or to such officers as the societies may designate, and their successors in office, for the safe keeping of said property and accounting therefor, and the faithful discharge of their duty.

Agricultural and horticultural societies may hold real and personal property. Annual income, how applied.

—treasurers to give bonds.

[Approved March 16, 1857.]

### Chapter 10.

An act in relation to wills.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

When a legacy is directed to be paid by executors or trustees to a person or corporation, upon conditions first to be performed by the person or corporation, and no time is stated in the will, or in the charter or by-laws of the corporation, within which the conditions are to be performed, a reasonable time, (not exceeding five years from the date of this act,) or from the probate of the will proved subsequently to this act, is allowed therefor; and if not so performed within that time, it shall be administered as an undivided estate, unless otherwise disposed of by the will.

Legacy by will, how disposed of in certain cases.

[Approved March 20, 1857.]