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CHAP. 91.

Chapter 91.

An act to establish the salary of the register of probate of the county of Waldo.

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

Salary of register of probate of Waldo county established.

SECT. 1. The salary of the register of probate for the county of Waldo, from and after the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, shall be five hundred dollars instead of the sum now allowed by law.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 26, 1870.

Chapter 92.

An act to amend chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes, relating to notices in probate courts.

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

Construction of the words "public notice," "personal notice," and "due notice," as used in probate courts.

SECT. 1. In all laws relating to probate courts and proceedings, the words "public notice" denotes notice published three weeks successively in a newspaper printed in the county, or if none, in the state paper; the words "personal notice" denotes service by a copy given in hand or left at the place of last and usual abode seven days at least before the time of hearing; and the words "due notice" denote public or personal notice, at the discretion of the judge.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 26, 1870.

Chapter 93.

An act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations.

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

Proceedings to be observed in the formation of manufacturing and other corporations.

SECT. 1. Three or more persons may associate themselves together by written articles of agreement, for the purpose of carrying on any manufacturing, mechanical, mining or quarrying business. Their first meeting shall be called by one or more of the signers of said articles, by giving notice thereof, stating the time, place and purposes of the meeting to each signer, in writing, or by publishing it in some newspaper printed in the county, at least fourteen days prior to the time appointed therefor. At such

meeting they may organize into a corporation, adopt a corporate name, define the purposes of the corporation, fix the amount of the capital stock, which shall not be less than two thousand dollars, nor more than two hundred thousand, divide it into shares, and elect a president, not less than three directors, a secretary, treasurer and any other necessary officers, and adopt a code of by-laws.

SECT. 2. Before commencing business the president, treasurer and a majority of the directors, shall prepare a certificate setting forth the name and purposes of the corporation, the amount of capital stock, the amount already paid in, the par value of the shares, the names and residences of the owners, the name of the county where located, and the number and names of the directors, and shall sign and make oath to it; and after it has been examined by the attorney general, and by him certified to be properly drawn and signed and conformable to the constitution and laws, it shall be recorded in the registry of deeds in the county where the business is to be done, in a book kept for that purpose, and a copy thereof certified by such register shall be filed in the secretary of state's office, and he shall enter the date of filing thereon, and on the original certificate to be kept by the corporation, and shall record said copy in a book kept for that purpose. And said corporation shall pay the attorney general and secretary of state five dollars each for their services in advance.

SECT. 3. From the time of filing such certificate in the secretary of state's office, the signers of said articles and their successors and assigns shall be a corporation the same as if incorporated by a special act, with all the rights and powers, and subject to all the duties, obligations and liabilities provided by chapters forty-six and forty-eight of the revised statutes.

SECT. 4. Chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the public acts of eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and chapter one hundred and twenty-five of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, are hereby repealed; but any corporations established under said chapters shall not be affected by this act, but they shall remain in full force the same as if this act had not been passed.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

A certificate stating name of corporation, where located, amount of capital stock and value of same, names and residences of directors and stockholders, to be approved by attorney general and recorded in the registry of deeds in the county where established.

Certified copy to be filed in office of the secretary of state.

Fee to attorney general and secretary of state.

Such corporation to have same rights and to be subject to same liabilities as if incorporated by the legislature.

Public laws 1862, chap. 152, and chap. 125, public laws 1867, repealed; corporations established under said acts not to be affected thereby.