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## ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

## FORTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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### STATE OF MAINE.

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## PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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Снар. 285.

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Agricultural societies, fifty-seven hundred dollars	\$5,700	00
Board of agriculture, two thousand dollars	2,000	00
Secretary of board of agriculture, four hundred dollars	400	00
Interest on lands reserved for public uses, two thou-		
sand dollars	2,000	00
Lands reserved, fifteen hundred dollars	1,500	00
Forfeited lands, five hundred dollars	500	00
Balance due on school funds, thirty-four thousand two		
hundred sixty-two dollars eighty-three cents	34,262	83
Houlton academy, one hundred twenty dollars	120	00
Presque Isle academy, one hundred eighty dollars	180	00
Hebron academy, sixty dollars	60	00
Foxcroft academy, sixty dollars	60	00
Interest on Madawaska fund, three hundred dollars	300	00
Bounty on animals, eight hundred dollars	800	00
Sheriffs and coroners, five hundred dollars	500	00
County taxes collected in eighteen hundred sixty-nine,		
six thousand one hundred twenty-six dollars seventy-		
five cents	6,126	75
Balance due on rolls of account, three hundred sixty		
dollars	360	00
Military pensions, twenty-five hundred dollars	2,500	00
Military purposes, six thousand five hundred dollars	6,500	00
Indices, one hundred fifty dollars	150	00
Amounting to nine hundred ninety-six thousand two		
hundred twenty-five dollars twenty-nine cents	996,225	29
Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.		

Approved January 25, 1870.

#### Chapter 285.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the private laws for eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston."

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

Amended.

Sect. 1. Chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the private laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston," approved March two, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, is hereby amended so that said chapter shall read as follows:

An act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston.

Boundary.

Sect. 1. All the territory now comprised within the limits of the city of Auburn, with the inhabitants and estates therein, is hereby annexed to and made part of the city of Lewiston, and shall CHAP. 285. hereafter be subject to the same municipal regulations, obligations and liabilities, and entitled to the same immunities as said city of Lewiston.

SECT. 2. The city of Lewiston shall become liable for, and subject to all debts, obligations, duties, responsibilities and liabilities of said city of Auburn, and all causes of action against said city of Auburn shall survive and may be prosecuted against the city of Lewiston.

responsibilities and liabilities, assumed by

All the public property of the city of Auburn shall be vested in, and is hereby declared to be the property of the city of Lewiston; and said city of Lewiston shall succeed to all the rights, claims, causes of action, rights to uncollected taxes, liens, uses, trusts, duties, privileges and immunities of said city of Auburn.

Public property of Auburn to be the property of

The collector of taxes of the city of Auburn is hereby authorized and empowered to collect and pay over to the treasurer of the city of Lewiston all taxes he was directed to pay to the treasurer of the city of Auburn, now assessed and committed to him for collection, not already collected and paid to the treasurer of Auburn.

Collection and payment of taxes.

The treasurer of the city of Auburn shall, on or before SECT. 5. the third Monday in March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, transfer, deliver and pay over and account for to the treasurer of the city of Lewiston, all books, papers, moneys and other property in his possession, as city treasurer of said city of Auburn, when this act shall take effect.

Treasurer of Auburn to transfer, deliver, &c., all books, &c., in his possession.

The city clerk of the city of Auburn shall deliver to the city clerk of the city of Lewiston, on or before the third Monday in March, eighteen hundred and seventy, all reports, books and papers belonging to the city of Auburn, and all papers, records and documents pertaining to his office.

City clerk of Auburn to deliver to city clerk of Lewiston all reports, &c. pertaining to his office.

The assessors, overseers of the poor, superintending school committee, auditor, street commissioner and other subordinate officers of the city of Auburn, shall deliver all books, papers, documents and property pertaining to their several offices, on or before the third Monday in March, eighteen hundred and seventy, to similar officers of the city of Lewiston.

Certain officers of Auburn shall deliver all books, &c., pertaining to their several offices to similar officers of Lewiston.

This act (except section eight) shall not be in force until the same shall have been accepted by both the inhabitants of said city of Auburn and said city of Lewiston, qualified to vote in city affairs at legal meetings called for that purpose in said cities. Meetings of the legal voters of the city of Auburn shall be held in the several wards of said city on the first Monday in February, eighteen hundred and seventy, for the purpose of voting on the acceptance of this act. Said meetings shall be called, notified and Meetings, how warned by the mayor and aldermen of said city, in the same man-

Acceptance of

Снар. 285.

Inhabitants to vote by written or printed ballot.

Ballots, how sort-

Return of ballots, to whom made.

Meetings, how called, &c.

Inhabitants to vote by written or printed ballot.

Return of ballots, &c., to whom made.

Examination of returns, &c.

Certain provisions of city charter repealed. ner that meetings for the election of municipal officers in said city are now called, notified and warned. At such meetings the inhabitants of said city shall vote by written or printed ballot, those in favor of accepting this act having on their ballot the word "yes," and those opposed having on their ballot the word "no." The ballots given in shall be sorted, counted and declared in open ward meeting, and shall be registered in the ward records. clerk of each ward shall make return of all the ballots given in in his ward, and the number of ballots in favor of the acceptance of this act, and the number of ballots against said acceptance, to the board of aldermen of said city. Said board shall examine said returns, and if a majority of the whole number of ballots cast is against the acceptance of this act, then the same shall not take effect or be in force, but if a majority of the whole number of ballots cast is in favor of the acceptance of this act, then said board shall immediately cause said fact to be certified to the city clerk of the city of Lewiston, and meetings of the legal voters of said city shall be held in the several wards of said city on the third Monday of February, eighteen hundred and seventy, for the purpose of voting on the acceptance of this act. Said meetings shall be called, notified and warned by the mayor and aldermen of said city of Lewiston, in the same manner that meetings for the election of municipal officers in said city are now called, notified and warned. At such meetings the inhabitants of said city of Lewiston shall vote by written or printed ballot, those in favor of accepting this act having on their ballot the word "yes," and those opposed having on their ballot the word "no." The ballots given in shall be sorted, counted and declared in open ward meeting, and shall be registered in the ward records. The clerk of each ward shall make return of all the ballots given in in his ward, and the number of ballots in favor of the acceptance of this act and the number of ballots against said acceptance to the board of aldermen of said city. Said board shall examine said returns, and if a majority of the whole number of ballots cast is against the acceptance of this act, then the same shall not take effect or be in force; but if a majority of the whole number of ballots cast is in favor of the acceptance of this act, then said board shall cause a certificate of that fact, together with said certificate of the board of aldermen of the city of Auburn, to be recorded in the records of the city clerk of said city of Lewiston, and this act shall then take effect and be in force as hereinafter provided.

SECT. 9. If this act shall be accepted in manner as aforesaid, then all provisions of the charter of said city of Auburn requiring an election of municipal and ward officers for said city of Auburn, on the first Monday of March, eighteen hundred and seventy, are hereby repealed, and the board of aldermen of said city of Lewis-

ton shall issue their warrants for meetings of the legal voters of Chap. 286. the several wards within the territory of the city of Auburn, (the limits and number of which wards shall remain as they now are until legally changed,) to be held on the first Monday of March, eighteen hundred and seventy, to elect a warden and clerk, who shall hold their offices until Tuesday next after the first Monday of March of the succeeding year, and until others are chosen in their stead, and to give in their votes for the several municipal and ward officers for the ensuing year. Each of said wards shall be entitled to all the municipal and ward officers which each of the other wards of said city of Lewiston is entitled to. The board of aldermen of said city of Lewiston shall prepare lists of legal Lists of voters. voters in said wards respectively, and shall do all other things which they are now by law required to do in respect to like elections in other wards in the city of Lewiston.

for meetings.

Election and tenure of officers.

Municipal and

Sect. 10. The city council of the city of Lewiston may change the number and limits of the several wards within said city whenever they deem the same necessary; provided that no change shall be made therein oftener than once in five years, and the number thereof shall not be less than seven nor more than twelve.

City council may and limits of

Sect. 11. Until constitutionally and legally changed, said territory shall continue to be, for the purpose of electing members of the house of representatives, representative districts as now legally changed. constituted.

Representative districts to conconstituted until

Sect. 12. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor, so far as to authorize its submission to the legal voters of the city of Auburn and the city of Lewiston in the manner herein prescribed.

SECT. 13. If this act shall be accepted, as provided in section Act to take effect eight, it shall take effect from and after said acceptance, so far as acceptance. to authorize and carry into effect the ninth section providing for elections, but for all other purposes, except that mentioned in section twelve, it shall take effect on the second Monday of March, eighteen hundred and seventy.

Approved January 25, 1870.

### Chapter 286.

An act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference.

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

Sect. 1. Charles E. Goodwin, George S. Osborn, Joseph Whit- Corporators. ney, James M. Hodgdon, Joseph H. Graves, John W. Young,