

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 1.

An act relating to the superior court for Cumberland county.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter two hundred and sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the superior court in the county of Cumberland," is hereby re-enacted and declared to be in full force and effect; and the criminal jurisdiction conferred upon the superior court for the county of Cumberland by the above-named act is hereby affirmed, and all its doings in criminal cases which have been in accordance with the provisions of said act are hereby confirmed and declared to be legal and valid.

Superior court, Cumberland county, doings in criminal cases in, confirmed.

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

Approved January 13, 1872.

Chapter 2.

An act to amend an act entitled "an act empowering towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases," approved February third, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

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

SECT. 1. The first section of chapter one hundred and seventy-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows, namely :

Chap. 178, public laws 1871, amended.

CHAP. 3.

Cities, towns and village corporations, authorized to make by-laws respecting location and protection of monuments, boundary-stones, curb-stones, stepping-stones, trees, lamp-posts and hydrants.

Sect. 1. Towns, cities and village corporations may make such by-laws and ordinances as they deem proper, respecting the location and protection of monuments, boundary-stones, curb-stones, stepping-stones or horse-blocks, trees, lamp-posts, posts and hydrants, and all other things placed within the limits of their roads, ways and streets, by municipal authority and for legitimate municipal purposes; and no monuments, boundary-stones, curb-stones, stepping-stones or horse-blocks, trees, lamp-posts, posts, hydrants, or other objects placed as aforesaid, which are now located, or shall hereafter be located in accordance with the requirements of such by-laws and ordinances, shall be deemed a defect in such road, way or street.

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

Approved January 29, 1872.

Chapter 3.

An act to amend section thirty-three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses.

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

SECT. 1. Section thirty-three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, in the sixth line, shall be amended by striking out the word "forty" and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'one hundred,' so that the section as amended shall read as follows:

Sect. 33. When the location for the erection or removal of a school-house and necessary buildings has been legally designated, and the owner thereof refuses to sell or asks an unreasonable price for it, in the opinion of the municipal officers, or resides without the limits of this state and has no authorized agent or attorney within the same, they may lay out a school-house lot, not exceeding one hundred square rods, and appraise the damages, as is provided for laying out town ways and appraising damages therefor; and on payment or tender of such damages, or if such owner does not reside within this state, upon depositing such damages in the treasury of such town or district for his use, the town or district designating it may take such, to be held and used for the purposes aforesaid; and when such school-house as is required of the town or district has ceased to be thereon for two years, it shall revert to the owner, his heirs or assigns. And any incorporated city may take real estate for the enlargement or extension of any location designated for the erection or removal of a school-house and necessary buildings, and for necessary play grounds as herein

R. S., chap. 11, sect. 33, relating to the location of school-houses, amended.

Lot may be taken for erection of school-house, without consent of owner, when sale is unreasonably refused.