## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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### STATE OF MAINE.

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# PUBLIC LAWS

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1872.

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#### Chapter 24.

An act to fix the compensation of the judges of the supreme judicial court.

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

Salary of the justices of the S. J. Court. Sect. 1. Each of the justices of the supreme judicial court shall receive from the treasurer of state a salary of three thousand dollars in quarterly payments, on the first day of January, April, July and October each year, instead of the sums now allowed them by law for salaries, board and travelling expenses.

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

Approved February 22, 1872.

#### Chapter 25.

An act relative to railroads,

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

Prohibition against change of location of railroad tracks or refusal to operate road.

No railroad having established its business upon a line shall substantially deviate from the track as originally built and used without the consent of the legislature, and no railroad having established its business as aforesaid shall cease to run its trains and operate its road, so long as said railroad company shall pay dividends to its stockholders from its earnings; but this act shall not be construed as a permission to any railroad company to cease operating its road or running its trains.

Approved February 23, 1872.

### Chapter 26.

An act relating to corporations and owners of real estate improved by laying out, altering or widening streets.

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

How damages caused by laying out, altering or widening streets, may be apportioned. Sect. 1. Whenever the city council of any city in this state shall lay out any new street or public way, or widen or otherwise alter or discontinue any street or way in such city, and shall estimate and decide that any person or persons or corporations have or will sustain any damage thereby, and the amount thereof to each in the manner that now is or may be provided by law, it shall be lawful for said city council to apportion the damages so esti-