

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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party, if he recovers costs, by himself, his agent or attorney, in fact travels a greater distance for the special purpose of attending court in such cause.'

CHAP. 201.

Approved February 28, 1874.

### Chapter 201.

An act additional to chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, concerning proceedings in court.

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

In actions of contract against more than one defendant, the jury may return a separate verdict as to each defendant, or as to two or more defendants jointly, and judgments shall be entered up accordingly. In case of separate judgment against defendants in the same action, the court shall apportion the costs to be taxed against each such defendant.

Separate verdicts to joint defendants.

Costs, how apportioned.

Approved February 28, 1874.

### Chapter 202.

An act to make the thirtieth day of May a legal holiday.

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

SECT. 1. Section nine of chapter thirty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "January," in the seventh line, the words 'thirtieth day of May,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

Sec. 9, ch. 32, R. S., amendment of.

'On any promissory note, inland bill of exchange, draft or order for the payment of money, payable in this state at a future day or at sight and not on demand, a grace of three days shall be allowed, if the third day is Sunday, a day of public fast or thanksgiving appointed by the governor and council, the fourth day of July, the twenty-second day of February, or Christmas, or first day of January, or the thirtieth day of May, two days shall be allowed. If the fourth day of July, twenty-second of February, Christmas, first day of January or thirtieth day of May, is Monday, and it is the third day of grace, or is Saturday and the following Sunday is the third day of grace, four days shall be allowed.'

Days of grace for payment of money established.

SECT. 2. Section eighteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word

Sec. 18, ch. 77, R. S., amendment of.

**CHAP. 203.** "September," in the second line, the words 'the thirtieth day of May,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

Courts not to be held on certain days.

'No court shall be held on Christmas day, the fourth of July, second Monday of September, thirtieth day of May, or any day designated for choice of president and vice-president of the United States, or for the annual fast or thanksgiving; and when the time fixed for a term of said court falls on either of said days it shall stand adjourned until the next day, which shall be deemed the first day of the term for all purposes.'

Sec. 76, ch. 81, R. S., amendment of.

SECT. 3. Section seventy-six of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "thanksgiving," in the third line, the words 'thirtieth day of May,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

Persons exempt from arrest on certain days.

'No person shall be arrested in a civil action, or mesne process, or execution, or on a warrant for taxes, on the fourth day of July, Christmas day, or the day of annual fast, thanksgiving, or thirtieth day of May; and no officer or soldier who is required by law to attend a military training, inspection, review or election, shall be arrested on any such process on such days.'

Approved February 28, 1874.

## Chapter 203.

An act to continue in force chapter ninety-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

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

Ch. 98, public laws 1873, to continue in force.

SECT. 1. That the provisions of chapter ninety-eight, public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, are hereby continued in force from the thirty-first day of December, except as herein-after amended.

Sec. 2, act of 1871, amendment of.

SECT. 2. Section two of the act of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, hereby continued in force, is amended by inserting after the word "age," in the second line, the words 'or orphan minor children over twelve years of age, who are partially or totally disabled by accident or chronic sickness,' and after the word "dependent," 'parent,' so that the whole section as amended shall read as follows :

Certain relatives of deceased soldiers or seamen entitled to pensions.

'SECT. 2. The widow, during her widowhood, orphan children under twelve years of age, orphan minor children, over twelve years of age, who are partially or totally disabled by accident or chronic sickness, or the dependent parent or sister of any soldier or seaman, deceased from wounds or injury sustained in the