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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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Chapter 213.

An Act for the better protection of Girls.

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

Whoever, being more than twenty-one years of age, has carnal knowledge of the body of any unmarried female child, between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than two years. The provisions of this act shall not apply to cases of rape as defined in section seventeen of chapter one hundred and eighteen of the revised statutes.

Protection of girls between the ages of fourteen and sixteen.

Approved March 8, 1897.

Chapter 214.

An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for Ways.

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

Section eighteen of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, as amended by section five of chapter three hundred and fifty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five and by chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, is hereby amended in the second sentence thereof by striking out the words "laying out" and inserting in place thereof the word 'establishment' and by adding after the word "town" the words 'at its town meeting,' so that said section eighteen, as hereby amended, shall read as follows:

Section 18, chapter 18, R. S., as amended by section 5, chapter 359, public laws 1885 and chapter 297 public laws 1893, further amended.

'Sect. 18. The damages for a town way shall be paid by the town; for a private way, by those for whose benefit it is stated in the petition to be, or wholly or partly by the town, if under an article in the warrant to that effect it so votes at the meeting accepting such private way; or by cities, if it is proposed in the return laying out such way. Any person aggrieved by the estimate of such damages may have them determined as provided in section eight, by written complaint to the supreme judicial court, returnable at the term thereof next to be held within the county where the land lies, after sixty days from the date of the establishment, alteration or

Damages for ways, how estimated and paid.

CHAP. 215 discontinuance of such way by the town at its town meeting. The complaint shall be served at least thirty days before said term by delivering in hand an attested copy to the clerk of the town where the land lies, and by posting attested copies in two public and conspicuous places within said town and in the vicinity of the way. But the final judgment shall be recorded in said court, and shall not be certified to the county commissioners. When any person aggrieved by the estimate of damages for his land taken for a town or private way, honestly intended to appeal therefrom and has by accident or mistake omitted to take his appeal within the time provided by law, he may at any time within six months after the expiration of the time when said appeal might have been taken, apply to any judge of the supreme judicial court in term time or vacation, stating in his said application the facts of his case, and said judge, after due notice and hearing, may grant to such petitioner permission to take his said appeal to such term of said court as said judge shall direct, and on such terms as said judge shall order, and the subsequent proceedings thereon shall be the same and with the same effect as if said appeal had been seasonably taken.'

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may be
taken to
supreme
judicial
court.

Approved March 8, 1897.

Chapter 215.

An Act additional to Chapter three hundred and fourteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the sale of land for Taxes.

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

Full costs
shall be
recovered
in all
actions
brought
under
chapter 314,
laws of 1893.

Sect. 1. In all actions brought in the supreme judicial and superior courts of the state under the provisions of chapter three hundred and fourteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, full costs shall be recovered notwithstanding the amount of the judgment be twenty dollars or less.

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

Approved March 8, 1897.