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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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granted to parishes by section three of this chapter, and may make such contracts in relation to such estate, its improvement or disposal, as they may be authorized under the rules of their church, or instructed by the church or society for which they hold such estate in trust, to make, which contracts may be enforced by or against them, as in other cases; provided, however, that no disposal of such estate shall be made, inconsistent with the terms of the grant by which it is held.'

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

Approved March 26, 1897.

CHAP. 299

—make contracts.

—proviso.

Chapter 299.

An Act to amend Section thirty-one of Chapter eleven, Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as amended by Chapters one hundred of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, two hundred and twelve of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine and two hundred and sixteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, defining course of study in Free High Schools.

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

Section thirty-one is hereby amended by inserting after the word "studies" and before the word "especially" in the third line of said section the following words, 'which are taught in secondary schools,' and by striking out in the tenth and eleventh lines of said section the words, "on such attainments of scholarship as shall be fixed by the committees having supervision thereof," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, 'who have such scholastic attainments as will fit them to attend such schools with profit, and the superintendent, or superintending school committee having supervision thereof shall make such examination of candidates for admission to said schools as they consider necessary;' so that said section thirty-one when amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect 31. The course of study in the free high schools, shall embrace the ordinary English academic studies which are taught in secondary schools, especially the natural sciences in their application to mechanics, manufactures and agriculture; but the ancient or modern languages and music shall not be taught therein except by direction of the superintending school committees having supervision thereof. Such schools, when established by any town or union of towns, shall be free to all

Section 31,
chapter 11,
R. S.,
amended.

Course of
study, and
what it
shall em-
brace.

—excep-
tions.

CHAP. 300

—schools to be free to the youth in any town or union of towns.

—precincts or union of precincts.

—school committee may admit pupils from without town, on payment of tuition, after passing examination.

the youth in such town or towns who have such scholastic attainments as will fit them to attend such schools with profit, and the superintendent, or superintending school committee, having supervision thereof shall make such examination of candidates for admission to said schools as they consider necessary.

When such school is established by any precinct or union of precincts, it shall be free in the same manner to the scholars within such precincts, and open also to scholars passing the required examination from without such precincts, but within the towns in which said precincts are situated, on payment to the agent of the precinct in which such school is located, of such tuition, to be fixed by the superintending school committee or committees having supervision of the same, as is equivalent to the cost a scholar of maintaining such school, after deducting the aid extended by the state. Whenever in the judgment of the superintending school committees having the supervision of any free high school or schools, the number of pupils in the same may be increased without detriment, scholars from without the towns directly interested in such school or schools, may be admitted to the same on passing the required examination and paying such tuition as may be fixed by such committee, to the treasurer of the town in which the school is kept, when the school is maintained by a town or union of towns, or to the agent of the precinct in which the school is kept, when such school is maintained by a precinct or union of precincts.'

Approved March 26, 1897.

Chapter 300.

An Act to amend Section fifty-five of Chapter thirty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter one hundred and seventy-four of laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, in relation to sale of Pressed Hay.

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

Section 55, chapter 38, R. S., as amended by chapter 174, laws, 1889, further amended.

—person receiving hay not marked liable to

Section fifty-five of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relative to the pressing of hay is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: 'no person who has received hay not marked as provided in this section shall defend any action for the price thereof upon