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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 326.

An Act in addition to and to amend Chapter six hundred and thirty-four, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter fifty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company.

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

Sect. I. The doings of the stockholders of the Hampden and Winterport Railway at a special meeting duly called and held in the city of Bangor on the thirtieth day of December eighteen hundred and ninety-six, relative to the change of the name of said corporation so that thereafter it should be called the Bangor, Hampden and Winterport Railway is approved.

Doings H. & W. Railway made valid.

And the name of said corporation is changed to the Bangor, Hampden and Winterport Railway.

—Name changed.

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

Approved February 2, 1897.

Chapter 327.

An Act to amend Section eleven of Chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, relating to the Augusta Municipal Court.

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

Sect. I. Section eleven of chapter two hundred and twentyfour of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine is hereby amended, by adding thereto the following: 'Said court shall also have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the superior court, of all civil actions at law, except complaints for flowage, real actions and trespass, quare clausum. in which the debt and damages demanded, exclusive of cost, does not exceed fifty dollars in which any party defendant or a person summoned in good faith and on probable grounds as trustee, resides in the county of Kennebec or having his residence beyond the limits of this state is served with process within said county. If any defendant, his agent or attorney in any action in said court, in which the debt or damages claimed in the writ exceeds twenty dollars, shall appear at the first term and on or before the first day of the second term, file in said court an affidavit that he has a good defence

Section 11, chapter 224 private laws 1849, amended.

—jurisdiction enlarged,

—actions may be removed to superior court. Снар. 328

to said action and intends in good faith to make such defence and claims a jury trial, the said action shall be removed into and entered at the next term of the superior court for said And the judge of said municipal court on payment to him of the entry fee in said superior court by the plaintiff, shall forthwith cause the original writ and all other papers in the case to be filed in the clerk's office of said superior court. Any party may appeal from any judgment or sentence of said municipal court to the superior court in the same manner as from a judgment of a trial justice. The costs and fees allowed to parties and attorneys in civil actions before said court, in which the debt or damages recovered do not exceed twenty dollars shall be the same as are allowed before trial justices. except that the plaintiff, if he prevails, shall be allowed two dollars for his writ, and the defendant, if he prevails, shall be allowed one dollar for his pleadings. In all actions in which the amount recovered exceeds twenty dollars, the costs and fees of parties and attorneys shall be the same as in the superior

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

Approved February 2, 1897.

Chapter 328.

An Act to repeal Chapter five hundred and three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and twenty-eight, to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus River.

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

Chapter 503, private laws 1828, repealed. Chapter five hundred and three of private acts of eighteen hundred and twenty-eight is hereby repealed, and all acts amendatory thereto.

Approved February 2, 1897.