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said second set of ballots at the office of the city, town or plantation clerk under the supervision of said clerk.'

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 109.

An Act Additional to Chapter Five of the Revised Statutes, Imposing an Added Duty on Boards of Registration and Municipal Officers Acting as a Board of Registration.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 5, relating to registration of voters, supplemented. The following section is hereby added to chapter five of the revised statutes:

'Sec. 47. Boards of registration and municipal officers acting as such, when registering voter coming from another town in state, shall notify officers of latter town. Whenever an applicant for registration before any board of registration or the municipal officers of any town, acting as a board of registration, states his last voting place as a city or town in the state of Maine, and the board determines that the applicant is entitled to register, it shall immediately notify by mail the board of the city or town where such person last voted, of such registration and the board, receiving such notice, shall at its first meeting strike from its list the said name, if satisfied as to the identity of the person.'

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 110.

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-seven of Chapter Fifty-three of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Guaranty Capital of Mutual Insurance Companies.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 53, § 57, relating to the organization of mutual insurance companies, amended. That section fifty-seven of chapter fifty-three of the revised statutes be amended by adding thereto the following: "The holders of such guaranty capital may receive dividends for the like amount provided for the guaranty capital of mutual fire insurance companies in section fifty-six, and said guaranty capital may be retired in the same manner as provided in said section and amendments thereto", so that the section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 57. Holders of guaranty capital may receive dividends. How capital may be retired. Any mutual insurance company may be organized under the provisions of sections fifty-five to sixty-six, inclusive, with a guaranty capital of not less than one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; and no policy shall be issued by such corporation until one fourth, at least, of its guaranty capital has been paid in, in cash, and invested as provided in section twenty. The

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holders of such guaranty capital may receive dividends for the like amount provided for the guaranty capital of mutual fire insurance companies in section fifty-six, and said guaranty capital may be retired in the same manner as provided in said section and amendments thereto.'

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 111.

An Act Additional to Chapter Fifty-two of the Revised Statutes, Providing a Penalty for Copying the Records of Banking Institutions.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Officers or employees of trust companies, savings banks and institutions for savings, not to make copy of records for personal use. Any officer or employee of any savings bank, institution for savings, trust company, loan company, or loan and building association, making copies of any of the books, papers, records or documents belonging to or in the custody of any of the before named institutions, either for his own use or for the use of any other person other than in the ordinary and regular course of his duties as such officer or employee, shall be subject to a penalty of a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding one year or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 112.

An Act Relating to the Registration of Information Concerning Aliens.

Preamble. Whereas in the event of a state of war existing or imminent between the United States of America and any foreign country full information concerning the activities of aliens who are subjects of such foreign country is necessary for the preservation of the public peace and safety, and whereas such state of war may be imminent before the expiration of ninety days after the adjournment of this legislature, and whereas unless this act is passed as an emergency act it cannot take effect until approximately July one, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and whereas therefore an emergency exists within the contemplation of the constitution of the State of Maine and the public peace and safety will be preserved by the enactment of the following act, now therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Subjects of foreign countries at war with United States to register. Governor to issue proclamation. Duty imposed on hotel managers, etc. Penalty for violation. Whenever between the United States of America and any foreign country a state of war shall exist or shall be imminent the governor may by proclamation direct and require every subject or citizen of such foreign country within this state to appear within