

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE
REVISED STATUTES

OF THE
STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED JANUARY 25, 1871;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED

THE CONSTITUTIONS

OF THE

UNITED STATES AND OF THE STATE OF MAINE:

WITH AN APPENDIX.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE LEGISLATURE.



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tachment, made and attested by any officer, of real property situate in the county or district of which he is register; minute on them the time when they are received; keep them on file for the inspection of parties interested, and enter them in a book kept for that purpose.

CHAP. 8.

Attachments,
record of them.
R. S. c. 7, § 19.

SEC. 17. The register of deeds in each county, in which there is but one register, shall keep his office in the shire town of the county.

Office kept in
shire town.
R. S. c. 7, § 20.

CHAPTER 8.

COUNTY TREASURERS.

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 16. To account for money or effects of the county, annually, to county commissioners.
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 18. Treasurer to account for money received of the United States for use of jails.

SEC. 1. Each county treasurer now in office shall continue to hold it till his successor is appointed, or chosen, and qualified according to law.

Treasurers
continued in
office.
R. S. c. 8, § 1.

SEC. 2. In each county there shall be annually chosen on the second Monday of September by the ballots of such persons, as are by the constitution authorized to vote for representatives, some person resident in such county, for a county treasurer.

Chosen annu-
ally.
R. S. c. 8, § 2.

SEC. 3. The meetings for their election shall be notified, held, and all proceedings therein regulated, returns made, and proceedings thereon had, as provided in section three of chapter seven, for the election of register of deeds, and the governor and council shall forth-

Meetings for
choice, when
and how held.
R. S. c. 8, § 3.
Governor and
council to no-

- CHAP. 8.** with notify the county commissioners of the county where such person resides, of the fact of his election.
- SEC. 4.** The person so elected and accepting shall be duly sworn before the county commissioners of his county, or two justices of the peace, and give bond to the county for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum, as the commissioners order, and with such sureties as they approve in writing thereon, and he shall hold his office for one year from the first day of January thereafter, and until another is chosen and qualified in his place.
- SEC. 5.** If a person so chosen declines to accept, or a vacancy occurs from any cause, the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, may appoint a suitable person of the county to that office, who, having accepted the trust, given bond, and been duly sworn, as prescribed in the preceding section, shall be treasurer for the remainder of the year and until another is chosen and qualified.
- SEC. 6.** No person holding the office of attorney general, or county attorney, or any justice of the supreme judicial court, clerk of said court, or sheriff of the county, shall hold the office of county treasurer.
- SEC. 7.** The treasurer shall apply all moneys received by him for the use of the county, in defraying its expenses, as the county commissioners, and the supreme judicial court by their written order direct; and each treasurer shall account with the commissioners of his county for all receipts and payments, and they may allow him a reasonable compensation for his services.
- SEC. 8.** He may enforce the payment of all taxes legally assessed, in the manner prescribed by law for the treasurer of state. (a)
- SEC. 9.** The costs in all civil actions in the name of the state, on scire facias, or other process, paid before execution issues, shall be paid to the clerk of the court, where the suit is pending, and by him be paid over, without any deduction, to the county treasurer.
- SEC. 10.** He shall publish, annually in the month of January, in some newspaper in the county, if any, to be designated by the county commissioners, otherwise in the state paper, a full and fair statement of the financial concerns of his county, with the items of receipts and expenditures.
- SEC. 11.** He shall pay over to the treasurer of the law library association in the county, all money received of persons admitted as attorneys in the supreme judicial court, and shall annually file in the state treasurer's office, before the second Wednesday of January, a list of the names of the persons who paid the same.
- SEC. 12.** He shall enter in a book kept for that purpose an account of all fines, forfeitures, and bills of costs accruing to the state, which are, from time to time, certified to him by the clerk of

tify commissioners of election.
1864, c. 278, § 14.
25 Me. 567.
Oath, bond, tenure of office.
R. S. c. 8, § 4.

Vacancy filled by appointment from the governor.
1864, c. 278, § 15.

Persons not eligible.
R. S. c. 8, § 6.

[See constitution, Art. IX, § 2.]

Treasurer to account to county commissioners.
His compensation.
R. S. c. 8, § 7.

Enforce payment of taxes.
R. S. c. 8, § 8.

Receives bills of cost in favor of state.
R. S. c. 8, § 10.

Statement to be published annually.
R. S. c. 8, § 17.

Duties for admission of attorneys to be paid to library association.
R. S. c. 8, § 18.

Record of fines and bills of costs.
R. S. c. 8, § 19.

(a) See c. 6, §§ 50, 55, 57, 74, 83, 84, 89, 125, 131, 132, 136, 158.

the judicial courts of the county, and shall note in said book when all or any part of said sums are paid.

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SEC. 13. He shall, within three months before the first Wednesday of January in each year, lay before the county commissioners a schedule of all notes and securities, taken by the sheriff of such county for fines and costs on the liberation of poor convicts from prison, and by him delivered over to said treasurer.

Annual schedule of securities taken on discharge of prisoners, to be rendered. R. S. c. 8, § 21.

SEC. 14. He shall, at the expense of his county, make out and transmit to the secretary of state within ten days after the first day of January annually, a true and attested copy of the account rendered and returned to him by the sheriff of such county, showing the amount thereof retained by said sheriff, and the amount paid over to such treasurer.

Copy of sheriff's account to be transmitted to secretary of state. R. S. c. 8, § 22.

SEC. 15. He shall annually prepare and deliver his account as treasurer, to the close of every year, to the clerk of the county commissioners, to be by him enclosed with the estimates for county taxes made by said commissioners, and transmitted to the secretary of state.

His account to be transmitted to same, with county estimate. R. S. c. 8, § 23. See c. 6, §§ 61, 62.

SEC. 16. Every treasurer holding any money or effects belonging to his county shall annually, and oftener if required, exhibit an account thereof to the county commissioners for adjustment.

Exhibit an account of money or effects of county to county commissioners. R. S. c. 8, § 24.

SEC. 17. He may charge to the state the several sums paid by him from the treasury to the jailer of his county, for keeping and supporting poor convicts in prison, which had been allowed to him by the county commissioners, and two and a half per cent. for his services in this particular duty, and the same shall be included in his account to be rendered to the treasurer of state as aforesaid.

Expenses of keeping poor convicts in prison. R. S. c. 8, § 25.

SEC. 18. He shall receive, for the use of the county, all money paid by the United States for the use and keeping of county jails, and account therefor according to law.

Account for money received of United States for use of jails. R. S. c. 8, § 26.