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STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE.

AN ACT to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities.

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

That section thirty-five, chapter fourteen of revised 2 statutes be amended so as to read as follows :

3 Sect. 35, The mayor and aldermen of any city and 4 the selectmen of any town or plantation, shall annually 5 on the first of March in each year, or oftener as they 6 may deem prudent, provide for the free vaccination 7 with the cow pox of all the inhabitants over two 8 years of age within their respective localities, the 9 same to be done under the care of skilled practising 10 physicians, and under such circumstances and restric-11 tions as the said authorities may adopt for the effectual

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12 vaccination of said inhabitants; and any person 13 refusing to be vaccinated when ordered by said au-14 thorities, unless such person has had the small pox, or 15 been effectively vaccinated within six years, or shall be 16 certified by the attending physician as too dangerously 17 ill to be so vaccinated, shall be fined five dollars for 18 every day's delay in complying with said order after 19 demand, the same to be recovered on complaint of any 20 person before a trial justice or municipal court, one-21 half to the benefit of the town in which said person 22 so refusing is found, and the other half to the com-23 plainant.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 30, 1873.

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S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.