

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 40.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and thirty-five of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, relating to the report of the secretary of the board of agriculture.

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

Section four of chapter two hundred and thirty-five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, is hereby amended by striking out the words "two hundred pages" and inserting therein the words four hundred, so that said section as amended, shall read as follows :

Sect. 4. The board shall appoint a secretary as its chief executive officer for a term of three years and until his successor shall be appointed, and may prescribe his duties, a part of which shall be to

11 acquaint himself, by personal observation, investi-
12 gation, and correspondence, with the methods and
13 wants of practical husbandry, the means of fertil-
14 ization, the adaptation of various products to the
15 soils and climate of Maine; also with the progress
16 of scientific and practical agriculture elsewhere,
17 with a view to the more complete development of
18 the natural resources of the state. He shall
19 annually, on or before the third Wednesday in
20 January, present to the governor and council a
21 report of the doings of the board and the results
22 of his own labors and investigations, together with
23 such communications, suggestions and recom-
24 mendations as may be useful. Ten thousand copies
25 of said report, in size not exceeding four hundred
26 pages, shall be printed; nine thousand bound in
27 paper covers, one thousand in cloth; one-half of
28 those in paper covers for the use of the legislature,
29 and the remainder, after reserving a suitable num-
30 ber for foreign exchanges, for distribution under
31 the direction of the board, among the agricultural
32 associations and the people of the state.

STATE OF MAINE.

In SENATE, February 11, 1881.

Reported by Mr. BERRY, from the Committee on Agriculture,
laid on the table to be printed under the Joint Rules.

C. W. TILDEN, *Secretary.*