

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1933.

Referred to Committee on Taxation and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. White of Crystal.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Personal Property.

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

R. S. c. 95, § 67, amended. Section 67 of chapter 95 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘Sec. 67. Personal property. The following personal property is exempt from attachment and execution :

I. The debtor’s apparel ; household furniture necessary for himself, wife and ~~children~~ **family** not exceeding ~~one hundred dollars~~ **\$300** in value, and 1 bed, bedstead, and necessary bedding for every 2 such persons.

II. All family portraits, Bibles, and schoolbooks in actual use in the family ; 1 copy of the statutes of the state, and a library not exceeding \$150 in value.

III. All his interest in 1 pew in a meeting-house where he and his family stately worship.

IV. One cooking stove ; all iron stoves used exclusively for warming buildings ; charcoal, and not exceeding 12 cords of wood conveyed to his house for the use of himself and family ; all anthracite coal, not exceeding 5 tons ; all bituminous coal, not exceeding 50 bushels ; and ~~ten dollars’~~ **\$50** worth of lumber, wood, or bark.

V. All produce of farms until harvested ; 1 barrel of flour ; **100 bushels of oats ; 100 barrels of potatoes ;** corn and grain necessary for himself and

family, not exceeding 30 bushels; all ~~potatoes and other~~ provisions raised or bought, and necessary for himself and family; and all flax raised on a half acre of land, and all articles manufactured therefrom for the use of himself and family.

VI. The tools necessary for his trade or occupation, materials and stock designed and procured by him and necessary for carrying on his trade or business and intended to be used or wrought therein, not exceeding ~~fifty dollars~~ **\$100** in value, and 1 sewing machine **and one washing machine** not exceeding **\$100 each** in value for actual use by himself or family.

VII. One pair of working cattle, or instead thereof 1 pair of mules or 1 or 2 horses not exceeding in value ~~three hundred dollars~~ **\$400**, and a sufficient quantity of hay to keep them through the ~~winter~~ season. If he has more than 1 pair of working cattle or mules, or if the 2 horses exceed in value ~~three hundred dollars~~ **\$400**, he may elect which pair of cattle or mules or which horse shall be exempt. If he has a pair of mules or 1 or 2 horses so exempt, he may also have exempt for each of said horses or mules, 1 harness not exceeding ~~twenty dollars~~ **\$40** in value; and 1 horse sled not exceeding the same value; but if he has at the same time an ox sled, he may elect which sled shall be exempt.

VIII. Domestic fowl, not exceeding ~~fifty dollars~~ **\$100** in value, 2 swine, 1 cow, and 1 heifer under three years old **and the calves raised from them until they are 1 year old**, or if he has no oxen, horse or mule, 2 cows, and he may elect the cows or cow and heifer, if he has more than are exempt, 10 sheep and the wool from them, and the lambs raised from them until they are 1 year old, and a sufficient quantity of hay to keep said cattle, sheep, and lambs through the winter season.

IX. One plough, one ~~cart or truck wagon, or one express wagon~~, one harrow, one yoke with bows, ring, and staple, 2 chains, 1 ox sled, and 1 mowing machine, **1 corn or potato planter, 1 cultivator, 1 horse hoe, 1 horse rake, 1 sprayer or duster and 1 grain harvester or potato digger.**

X. One boat not exceeding 2 tons burden, usually employed in fishing business, belonging wholly to an inhabitant of the state.

XI. The personal property of any copartnership, ~~or the interest of any copartner therein~~ shall be exempt from attachment of mesne process or seizure on execution for any individual debt or liability of such copartner, but such copartner's interest in the partnership property may be reached and applied in payment of any judgment against him in the manner provided in section 39 of chapter 91.