

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# LAWS

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION, WHICH COMMENCED ON WEDNESDAY, THE  
THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY, AND ENDED ON THE  
TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF JUNE, A. D. 1820.

TO WHICH IS PREFIXED,

THE

# CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE.

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Published agreeably to a Resolution of June 23, 1820.

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*PORTLAND :*

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1820.

the Treasury of this State, out of any monies not otherwise appropriated by law ; and the further sum of one thousand dollars annually, until the Legislature shall otherwise order and direct.

June 27, 1820—Approved,

WILLIAM KING.

CHAPTER XXVI.

AN ACT to prevent the introduction of Paupers from foreign ports or places.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That when any ship or vessel having any passengers on board, who have no settlement within this State, shall arrive at any port or harbor within the State, the master of such ship or vessel shall, before such passengers come on shore, leave a list of their names and places of residence with the Selectmen or Overseers of the poor of the town where such passengers shall arrive. And the master of such ship or vessel shall not land any such persons, without the permission of the Selectmen unless he shall enter into bonds with sufficient sureties, to the satisfaction of said Selectmen, in a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for each passenger, to indemnify and save harmless such town as well as the State from all manner of charge and expense, which may arise from such passengers, for and during the term of three years ; and if the master of any such ship or vessel shall land any such passengers, without entering their names and giving bonds as aforesaid, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of two hundred dollars for each passenger so landed, to be recovered by action of debt, by any person who shall sue for the same, one moiety thereof to the use of the State, and the other moiety to the prosecutor : *Provided,* That this act shall not take effect, until the first day of October next, and that nothing in this act shall be construed to extend to the master of any ship or vessel, in any voyage, on which such ship or vessel, may now be employed.

Master to leave the names of passengers with the overseers,

And to give bond before landing them to indemnify the town.

Penalty of neglect.

June 27, 1820.—Approved,

WILLIAM KING.