

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE;

TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED

THE

CONSTITUTION OF THE U. STATES

AND OF SAID STATE,

IN TWO VOLUMES,

WITH AN APPENDIX.

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and such guardians, husbands and persons having in possession such limited estates therein, shall be notified, vote and contribute accordingly; and all advances so made by them respectively, for and on account of such minors, heirs of such married woman, those in remainder or reversion, or the other party in the mortgage, if not adjusted and paid by agreement, shall be recoverable in a special action on the case, with interest.

Millers to be provided with scales and weights.

SEC. 15. *Be it further enacted*, That every miller shall be provided with scales and weights to weigh corn, grain and meal to and from the mill, if required; and if he shall neglect to keep such scales and weights, or refuse so to weigh corn, grain and meal, when required, he shall be fined for each neglect or refusal not exceeding five dollars, to be recovered, with costs by action of debt, by the party suing to his use, before any Justice of the Peace of the county wherein the offence shall be committed.

Amount of toll not to exceed one sixteenth.

SEC. 16. *Be it further enacted*, That the toll for grinding all sorts of grain shall not exceed one sixteenth part thereof.

[Approved February 8, 1821.]

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## CHAPTER XLVI.

An Act directing the manner of Conveyance to be used by Counties, in purchasing and disposing of Lands.

Deeds made to the inhabitants of a county, their successors and assigns to be good and valid.

SEC. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That whenever any County in this State shall purchase any lands, whereon to erect a court-house, or jail, or for any other purposes authorized by law, the deed or deeds of the grantor or grantors duly executed, acknowledged, and registered, made to the inhabitants of the county, making the purchase, to have and to hold to the said inhabitants, their successors and assigns forever, shall be good and valid, to all intents and purposes, to vest in the said inhabitants and county their successors and assigns, in fee simple, all the right, title, interest and estate whatever which the grantor or grantors in such deed or deeds had, at the execution thereof, in the lands contained therein.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That all grants and conveyances heretofore made to the inhabitants of any county, or to their Treasurer, committee, or any other person or persons, and by whatever form of conveyance for the use and benefit of such county in any manner whatever, shall be deemed and holden to be the property of such county; and all such conveyances shall have the same force and effect as if they had been made to the inhabitants of such counties by their respective corporate names.

Deeds of different forms for the benefit of counties confirmed.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the court which by law may have the powers in relation to county lands, may by their order of record, appoint an agent or agents, to sell and dispose of any real estate of said county, and the deed or deeds of such agent or agents under their proper hands and seals, for and in behalf of the inhabitants of such county, duly acknowledged and registered shall be sufficient to all intents and purposes to convey to the purchaser or purchasers, all the right, title, interest and estate whatever, which the county may then have to the premises so conveyed.

Certain courts may appoint agents to convey county lands, &c.

Their deeds valid to pass the estate.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted;* That in all cases where any real estate may be holden in trust, for the use and benefit of any county by any conveyance whatever, and no convenient and effectual remedy may exist at common law, to enforce the execution of such trust, the Supreme Judicial Court shall have full powers and process, and they are hereby empowered to enforce the execution of such trust, according to the course of proceedings in equity.

Sup. Judicial Court to exercise all necessary powers of Court of Equity, as to lands &c. holden in trust, for, or to use of a county.

[Approved March 15, 1821.]

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CHAPTER XLVII.

An Act for the settlement of certain equitable claims arising in Real Actions.

SEC. 1. **BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That when any action has been or may hereafter be commenced against any person for the recovery of any lands or tenements, holden by such person by virtue of a possession and improvement, and which the tenant or person, under whom he claims, has had

Jury in certain cases to ascertain the value of improvements and of the land without them.