

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# **PUBLIC ACTS**

OF THE

## **STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

### **SIXTH LEGISLATURE,**

**AT ITS SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1826.**

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non-resident proprietors, or improved lands of proprietors living out of the State, for the taxes thereon, within thirty days after the sale thereof, as aforesaid. And in all cases, where the purchaser of any land sold for taxes shall not live in, or shall remove from, the town in which such land is situated, it shall be lawful for the proprietor or owner of such land to deposit with the treasurer of such town or plantation the sum required by law to redeem the land thus sold; and thereupon such sale shall become void and the purchaser shall be holden to execute to the proprietor a deed of release of the same. And said treasurer's receipt or certificate of the payment to him of a sufficient sum to redeem the lands of any non-resident proprietor, so sold, shall be sufficient evidence of such payment and redemption. And said treasurer shall be holden to pay over to such purchaser on demand the sum deposited with him as aforesaid. And the proprietor, making such payment, shall also pay such treasurer fifty cents for his trouble.

Mode of redemption of lands sold for taxes in certain cases.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 6, 1826.*]

## CHAPTER CCCXXXVIII.

AN ACT providing for the organization of towns destitute of Town Officers.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That* in any town, not organized by the choice of town officers, or in any town which may have been so organized, but shall be destitute of town officers, qualified to call town meetings, any Justice of the Peace, for the county in which such town shall be, may, on application, made to him in writing, by five or more of the inhabitants of such town, qualified to vote in town affairs, issue his warrant, to some one of such applicants, directing him, that, in manner by law prescribed for notifying town meetings, he notify the inhabitants

First meeting of new towns how called.

of such town, qualified as aforesaid, to meet at such time and place, as may be in such warrant appointed, for the choice of such town officers, as towns are by law empowered to elect.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 6, 1826.*]

## CHAPTER CCCXXXIX.

AN ACT additional to "An Act providing for the government of the State Prison, and for the punishment of convicts."

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That whenever any female convict, or male minor under the age of sixteen years, shall hereafter be sentenced to confinement to hard labor, or to solitary imprisonment and hard labor, for any term short of life, such sentence may be executed in and within the precincts of the gaol of the county, in which such offender may be convicted, or in the State Prison, at Thomaston, as heretofore directed, at the discretion of the Court awarding such sentence; and all charges and expenses for maintaining such convicts, shall be paid by the State.

Convicts, if females, or if males under sixteen, may be punished in county or state prison at the discretion of Court.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the Inspectors of the State Prison, appointed by virtue of the Act, to which this Act is additional, be, and they hereby are, authorized and empowered, at their discretion, to remove or to suspend from the exercise of their functions, any officer or officers of said State Prison, as well as their agents or servants, (excepting, however, the Warden thereof,) whom said Inspectors may, at any time, find negligent or unfaithful in the discharge of their duties, and to appoint such others in their place as they may deem expedient; and such appointments shall continue in force, until the Governor, with advice of Council, shall otherwise order or appoint.

Inspectors of State Prison may suspend or remove certain officers thereof in certain cases, &c.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That whenever any convict shall be discharged from the