

# **PUBLIC ACTS**

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

### EIGHTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS

SESSION HELD IN JANUARY, 1828.

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#### EDUCATION.

never be so construed as to render, or make void, or any way impair the validity and binding effect of any contract of insurance, upon any insurance company or corporation, not established, incorporated, or authorized by a law of this State, or upon their Agent or Agents.

Approved by the Governor, February 23, 1828.

#### CHAPTER CCCCIII.

#### AN ACT providing for the promotion of Education.

SECT. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That the Land Agent, under the advice and direction of the Governor and Council, be, and he hereby is authorized to sell at Public Auction or Lands to be sold Private Sale, whenever in their opinion, the same or the benefit of can be done at fair price, any number of the town-pate into the Treaships of the public lands already surveyed, and <sup>sury</sup> not otherwise appropriated, not exceeding in the whole twenty townships of land averaging six miles square, upon such terms of credit as in their judgment will best promote the objects of this Act. And whenever any credit shall be given to the purchaser, he shall secure the State by the joint note of himself with two or more sufficient sureties to the acceptance of said Agent. And the said Agent is required to pay into the Treasury of the State, the sums he may receive from the sale or sales of said land, and to deliver over to the Treasurer of State all the notes he may obtain upon the sale or sales of said land, immediately after he shall have received them.

SECT. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Treasurer of the State be directed to keep a sep- Treasurer to keep arate account of all monies he may receive from a separate account of this fund, which the sales of said land and from the notes in pay-is to be put at intement therefor, and the same shall constitute a permanent fund to be reserved for the benefit of

primary schools. And said fund shall be put out on interest, in such manner as a future Legislature shall determine, and the interest annually distributed among the several towns and plantations in the State according to the number of scholars therein, commencing at such time as by law shall be hereafter provided.

SECT. 3. Be it further enacted, That when-Gertain partof the ever this State shall receive any sum or sums of Massichusetts Chain appropria money on account of the claim of Massachusetts ted for the beacht on the United States, for services rendered by the

Militia of that Commonwealth during the late war, the excess over and above what the State may then owe shall constitute a fund to be appropriated and distributed in the manner provided by the second section of this Act.

[Approved by the Governor, February 23, 1828.]

#### CHAPTER CCCCIV.

AN ACT regulating Weights, and the sale of Hoops, Staves, and other articles.

SECT. 1. BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That all uch articles as have been sold or exchanged in any market or town in the State by gross or avoirdupois weight, shall be sold or exchanged by the following regulation of said weights, viz: Twenty-five avoirdupois pounds shall constitute one quarter, four quarters one hundred, and twenty hundred one ton.

SECT. 2. Be it further enacted, That all hoops and staves shall be sold or exchanged as follows, viz: Twenty-five hoops shall constitute one bundle; four bundles, one hundred; ten hundred, one thousand; two staves shall constitute one cast; fifty casts one hundred, and ten hundred, one thousand; and all other articles usually sold by tale shall be sold by the decimal hundred, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Weight of articles regulated.

Tale of hoops and staves regulated.