

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

NINTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS

SESSION HELD IN JANUARY, 1829.

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1829.

CHAPTER CCCXXXIX.

AN ACT making provision for organizing Corporations.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That whenever it may become necessary to call a meeting of any Corporation, by application to a Justice of the Peace, and he shall issue his warrant thereon, it shall and may be lawful for the person to whom the said warrant may be directed, or for the Justice who shall issue the warrant, to call the meeting to order, and to preside therein; and he shall have the same power and authority as is given by law to moderators in town meetings, until a moderator for such corporation shall be elected: *Provided*, That the person so organizing and presiding therein shall not be responsible for any error in Judgment, concerning the legal qualifications of any person claiming the right to vote at such meeting.*

A Justice of the Peace or person by him appointed may preside at opening of meeting of any corporation until moderator is chosen.

Proviso.

[Approved by the Governor, March 3, 1829.]

CCCCXL.

Chap. 10, 71 & 219.

AN additional ACT regulating Divorces.

*SECT. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That divorces from the bands of matrimony shall be decreed in case either of the parties shall wilfully desert the other for the term of five years without reasonable cause, or in case either of the parties shall join and continue with the society called Shakers for the term of time aforesaid, separate from the other party; or in case either of the parties shall be confined in the State's Prison for said term of time: *Provided however*, That when it shall appear that the desertion or the joining*

Divorces to be decreed in case either of the parties desert the other for 5 years, or joined the Shakers 5 years or be confined in State Prison 5 years.

Proviso.