

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL

ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

TENTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS

SESSION, COMMENCING JANUARY 6th 1830.

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member of the same, or by advertisement thereof in some public newspaper printed in Portland; at which meeting, or at any future meeting, legally called, it shall be lawful for said members to elect such officers as they shall see fit, and to make and establish any and all lawful rules and regulations for the government of said corporation, and to agree upon and settle the mode of calling future meetings.



CHAP. 78.

AN ACT to set off Johnston's Island from Waldoborough to Bremen.

Approved March 6, 1830.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That Johnston's Island, so called, uninhabited, situated in Broad-bay River, so called, lying within the limits, and being part of the town of Waldoborough, in the county of Lincoln, be, and hereby is set off from said town of Waldoborough, and annexed to the town of Bremen in said county:

Provided, That the proprietor or proprietors of said island shall be held to pay all taxes assessed upon him or them, on account of the same, in the town of Waldoborough aforesaid, and remaining unpaid, prior to the passing of this Act.

Proviso as to arrears of taxes.



CHAP. 79.

AN ACT to incorporate the town of Acton.

Approved March 6, 1830.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That from and after the seventh day of*

March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty, so much of the town of Shapleigh, in the county of York, as lies west of the following described line, viz: beginning at the Lane of division. point of intersection of the west line of the fifth range of lots in said Shapleigh, with the northerly line of the town of Sanford; thence running north on said range line to the north check-line of lot number two in said fifth range; thence east, on said check-line to the east side line of the said fifth range; thence north on said range-line to Long Mousum Pond; thence northerly up said Pond to the mouth of Hubbard's brook; thence up said brook to the east line of the sixth range; thence north on said range-line to square Mousum Pond; thence up said Pond to the east line of the seventh range; thence north on said east line to Little Osipee River, be, and hereby is incorporated into a town by the name of Acton; and the inhabitants thereof are hereby vested with all the powers, privileges and immunities, which the inhabitants of other towns, within this State, do or may by law enjoy.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That said town of Acton shall pay to said town of Shapleigh, the arrears of all taxes, which have been legally assessed, together with their proportion of all debts due from, and assessments which may have been voted by said town of Shapleigh, at the time of the passing of this act; such proportion to be ascertained by reference to the last valuation of said town of Shapleigh. Provision as to assessments made, & debts due. And said town of Acton shall receive their proportion, (to be ascertained as aforesaid) of all debts and taxes due, and one half of all the personal property, (except such as is otherwise disposed of in and by this act) belonging to said town of Shapleigh, at the time aforesaid. Division of personal property. And said town of Shapleigh shall pay to the said town of Acton, one third part of the general school fund belonging to said Shapleigh, and shall pay to said town of Acton, all unexpended balances of

Division of Laws,
&c.

school money belonging to the several school districts, situate in said Acton. And the public and private Acts and Resolves of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and State of Maine, and the Reports of cases argued and determined in said States, belonging to said town of Shapleigh, shall be equally divided between said towns of Shapleigh and Acton.

Division of real estate,

Records, &c. to be retained by the town of Shapleigh.

Proviso.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That such part of the real estate belonging to the town of Shapleigh, as is situate in the east parish of said town, shall belong to, and be vested in said town, and such part thereof as is situate in the west parish of said town, shall belong to and be vested in the town of Acton. And said town of Shapleigh shall keep the records, public papers and documents belonging to said town, at the time aforesaid : *Provided however*, That the inhabitants of said town of Acton shall have, at all times, free access to examine the same, and to make copies or extracts therefrom free from expense. And said towns of Shapleigh and Acton shall respectively pay all fines that are or shall be imposed upon said town of Shapleigh, upon any complaint or indictment for bad roads, now pending, according to the relative situation of such road or roads.

Paupers, how divided and supported.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That all persons who now are, or may hereafter become chargeable as paupers, shall be considered as belonging to that town, on whose territory they may have gained a legal settlement, and shall be supported by the same. And said town of Acton shall be holden to pay their proportion of the expenses incurred for the support of all paupers actually chargeable upon the town of Shapleigh, at the time of passing this Act.

First meeting.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That any Justice of the Peace, within said county is hereby empowered to issue his warrant to some inhabitant of said town, hereby incorporated, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at such

time and place, as he shall appoint, to choose such officers as towns are empowered to choose at their annual meetings.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That said towns of Shapleigh and Acton shall constitute a district to elect one Representative to the Legislature of this State, until otherwise provided by law.

To continue with town of Shapleigh a representative district.



CHAP. 80.

AN ACT to authorize George F. Richardson exclusively to navigate the Androscoggin River with horse boats.

Approved March 6, 1830.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That George F. Richardson, be, and hereby is vested with the sole and exclusive right and privilege of employing and navigating all and every species and kind of boats or water-craft, which may be urged or propelled by horse power, on the Androscoggin River, from the head of tide water, through Merry Meeting Bay, to the Kennebec River, during the term of ten years, from and after the passing of this act: *Provided,* That if the said Richardson fail to have one competent boat, propelled by horse power, in operation and navigating on said River, within six months from the passing of this act, the same shall be null and void.

Grant described.

Proviso.

SECT 2. *Be it further enacted,* That if any person or persons, without the authority or consent of the said Richardson, shall use, employ or navigate any boat or water-craft as aforesaid, on said river, from the head of tide water to the Kennebec River (except thereunto authorized by the government of the United States,) during said term, every person so offending shall, for each and every

Penalty for employing, &c., any horse boat without consent of the grantee.