

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# **PUBLIC ACTS**

OF THE

# **STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

# **THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE,**

*At its Session, held in January, 1833.*

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**AUGUSTA :**

**I. BERRY & CO. PRINTERS TO THE STATE.**

**1833.**

Duty of Agricultural Societies which may receive the gratuity of the State.

cities, which may receive the gratuity of the State, to transmit annually, in the month of December, to the Secretary of State, the information required of persons before receiving premiums, named in the third section of the act to which this [is] additional.

[Approved by the Governor, March 2, 1833.]

## Chapter 72.

AN ADDITIONAL ACT regulating Elections.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That whenever any unincorporated place classed, in any Representative district, with any town or towns adjacent thereto, it shall be lawful for any person resident in said unincorporated place, between the first and the twentieth day of May in any year, to present a list of his rateable poll and estate, as it existed on said first day of May, to the Assessors of either of said towns, who may require the same to be verified in the same manner as if presented by an inhabitant of said town. And it shall be the duty of said Assessors, after having made and finished the State and County tax of said year for said town, to subjoin thereunto an assessment against said person, to the amount of his proportion of the State and County tax, ascertained by said inventory, at the same rate as an inhabitant would be assessed in said tax upon a similar inventory. And the same remedy shall exist for the collection of said tax, as if said person were an inhabitant of said town. And said assessments shall be legal, although, by reason of the tax against said non-resident, the total thereof may exceed the whole amount with the five per cent overlay, which said Assessors were authorized by law to assess. And the taxes thus assessed upon said person, resident in said unincorporated place, shall enure and belong to the town in which the same were assessed.

Residents in unincorporated places may present a list of their rateable estate &c. to Assessors of adjacent towns &c.

Duty of said Assessors.

Remedy for the collection of Taxes assessed under this Act.

Said taxes to belong to the Town in which they are assessed.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the person, assessed as aforesaid, shall be entitled to give in his vote, in said town, in all the State elections of said year. And the Selectmen of said town are required to insert his name in the list of voters, which may be prepared for the regulation of meetings, at which such elections are to be had, in the same manner as if he were a resident of said town: *Provided*, such person continues to have his residence in said unincorporated place, and is otherwise a qualified elector.

Persons so assessed shall be entitled to vote in said town.

Selectmen shall insert their names on the list of voters.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 2, 1833.*]

### Chapter 73.

AN ACT relating to Prosecutions for libel.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That in every prosecution for writing and publishing any libel, it shall be lawful for any defendant upon trial of the cause, to give in evidence in his defence the truth of the matter charged as libelous, and the truth of such matter being established the same shall be held a complete justification; unless it shall be made to appear that the matter charged as libelous originated from corrupt or malicious motives.

Truth may be given in evidence by defendant &c., unless &c.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 2, 1833.*]

### Chapter 74.

AN ACT to prevent the disturbance of Judicial Courts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That no Company, Battalion, Regiment or Brigade shall be paraded, marched or exercised, within fifty rods of the Court House of any County, whilst any Judicial Court shall be in session therein, and if the

No Company, Battalion, &c., shall be paraded, within fifty rods of any Court House, during the sitting of the Court,