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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED RY THE

THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE,

At its Session, held in January, 1823.

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tion or city, for which they may severally be designed, to the Sheriff of the County in which said towns, plantations or city are situated. And it shall be the duty of the Sheriffs of the several Counties forth-Sheriff to delive with to deliver the same to the Selectmen. Assessors, town or plantation Clerks, of each town or Assessors, Town plantation, and said city, taking a receipt therefor from one at least, of said officers, acknowledging the receipt of said blanks, and make a return thereof to the office of the Secretary of State.

Penalty for neglect.

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SECT. 2. Be it further enacted, That any Sheriff, who shall neglect to perform any of the duties required to be done by him by the foregoing provisions of this Act, shall forfeit and pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every offence, to be recovered by action of debt, one half to the use of any person who shall sue for the same, and the other half to the use of the city, town or plantation interested.

[Approved by the Governor, March 4, 1833.]

Chapter 85.

AN ACT in addition to An Act prescribing the mode of taking depositions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and SECT. 1. House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That whenever any Justice of the Peace and of the Quorum, in any County, shall have issued his citation to any person, notifying such person to appear before him, at a time and place specified in said citation, to give his deposition in any affair, in which depositions are by law authorized to be taken; and said citation shall have been duly served and returned by the proper officer, certifying thereon that said service has been duly made, and that the legal fees of said deponent for his travel and attendance, required by said citation, have been seasonably tendered, if the said deponent shall refuse or neglect to appear before said Justice at said time and place to depose as aforesaid, said Justice may adjourn the time of taking such deposition to such hour of that or any other day, as he may think proper, and may issue a capias, directing any proper Justice empowofficer to apprehend said deponent and bring him ered to issue a capital to apprebefore said Justice at the time and place, to which hend deponent neglecting to the taking of said deposition was adjourned as afore- appear in pursusaid; and said officer is hereby empowered to execute said Capias, and by virtue thereof bring said deponent before said Justice as in said precept may be directed.

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to testify.

[Approved by the Governor, March 4, 1833.]

Chapter 86.

AN ACT for making known the organization of Plantations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That whenever any Plantation shall hereafter be organiz-