

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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and the said justices may thereupon proceed to take the deposition of such mortgagee, assignee, or holder of such bond or obligor thereof in relation to the facts required to be given by him in the statement aforesaid, in perpetuum, and the said justices in their proceedings shall be governed by the several statutes which authorize and regulate the taking of depositions.

Penalty for refusing to testify or testifying falsely.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That if any person shall wilfully, falsely and corruptly testify in making the disclosure required in this Act, or shall neglect to appear at the time and place appointed for him to testify, or shall refuse to testify, he shall be subject to all the forfeitures, liabilities and penalties of witnesses for like offences.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 11, 1834.*]

Chapter 127.

AN ACT to prevent obstructions to the navigation in Kennebec River.

Penalty for throwing rubbish into Kennebec river.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That if any person or persons shall cast or throw into the Kennebec river between the Kennebec bridge at Augusta and the village in Gardiner, any chips, slabs, saw dust, or any other rubbish, whereby the navigation of said river shall be impeded or injuriously affected; or if any person or persons having a charge of or being employed in any mill, factory or any machinery connected therewith shall cause or suffer to be deposited in said river any chips, slabs, saw dust or any other rubbish made and collected by the operation of such mill factory or machinery to the injury of any citizen of this State, he or they shall forfeit and pay for each offence, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, nor less than five dollars to

How recovered.

any person who may sue for the same; and shall

also be liable to pay all damages which any individual may suffer by reason of such obstructions in an action of the case, in any court competent to try the same.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 11, 1834.*]

Chapter 128.

AN ACT enabling the owners of Meeting Houses to manage the same.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That the owners of any Meeting House not a Parish, shall have power to incorporate themselves for the purpose of repairing, enlarging and removing the same, in like manner as parishes may by law incorporate themselves, and may choose like officers, raise and assess taxes, and as a body politic, for the sole purposes aforesaid, do all things which a parish or religious society may do, in exercise of the authority in them by law vested—*Provided nevertheless,* That the owners of any old and unoccupied Meeting House for religious worship, may sell the same if three fourths of the owners thereof, shall so decide at any legal meeting of said owners duly held for that purpose, and the proceeds of any such sale, after deducting all necessary expenses, shall be divided among the several proprietors according to their respective interests in the same.

Owners of meeting houses empowered to incorporate themselves, choose officers, assess taxes, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That an Act entitled "An Act enabling the owners of Meeting Houses to manage the same," approved March third, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, be and hereby is repealed.

Former act repealed. Chap. 330, vol 3, p. 176.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 11, 1834.*]