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ACTS AND RESOLVES,

PASSED BY THE

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

JANUARY SESSION, 1840.

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PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.
1840.

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Chapter 56.

AN ACT to provide for furnishing Blank Books to the cities, towns and plantations in this State.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and required to furnish annually at the expense of the State suitable Blank Books to each city, town and plantation in this State, in which to record their inventory and valuation.

Secretary to furnish books for inventory, &c. annually.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor.

[Approved March 13, 1840.]

Chapter 57.

AN ACT accepting the surrender of the charter of the Bangor Commercial Bank.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That the surrender of the charter of the Bangor Commercial Bank be, and the same is accepted, and the same shall terminate when this Act shall take effect.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the said bank shall continue in its corporate capacity for and during the term of two years from the time this Act shall take effect, for the sole purpose of collecting the debts due the Corporation, selling and conveying the property and estate thereof, and doing those acts necessary for properly closing the affairs of said corporation, and shall remain liable for the payment of all debts due from the same, and shall be capable of prosecuting and defending suits at law, and of choosing directors for the purposes aforesaid and for closing its concerns.

Corporate powers to continue two years.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after the sixth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty, and that said bank shall publish for three months, weekly, in the State paper, and in one or more papers, if any there be, in the County, in which said bank may be located, that it has surrendered its charter stating the time when such surrender went into effect, and also the time when its liability to redeem its bills by law will expire.

Act to take effect April 6, 1840.

Surrender of the charter to be published 3 months in State paper, &c.

[Approved March 13, 1840.]

Chapter 58.

AN ACT in addition to the several Acts for the relief of Poor Debtors.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That whenever any debtor shall stand committed on more than one execution at the same time, the keeper of the prison shall receive and be entitled to pay for board only on the first execution; and such board shall be paid for equally by all the creditors on whose executions such debtor shall be, or now is committed; and such creditor first committing, shall have a right of action against the other committing creditors for his proportion of such board, *Provided*, that if any debtor, standing committed on several executions, shall be discharged on one or more of them, it shall be the duty of the gaoler to give a new notice to the next committing creditor on whose execution such debtor may stand committed; of such discharge on the first execution, as is now by law provided.

Board of debtors committed on more than one execution to be paid for equally by the creditors.

[Approved March 14, 1840.]