

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES,

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

JANUARY SESSION, 1841.

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1841.

**PUBLIC AND SPECIAL LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE.**  
**1841.**

[supplied from page 289 of volume]

Holmes Stevens; that Martha Butler Bowditch, of Hallowell, be allowed to take the name of Martha Butler Davis; that Mary Cobb, of North Yarmouth, be allowed to take the name of Mary Gilmer Bacon.

[Approved April 16, 1841.]

**Chapter 192.**

AN ACT in relation to Manufacturing Corporations.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That the stockholders in any company, which now is, or may hereafter be incorporated, in this State, for the purpose of manufacturing cotton, wool, silk, iron, steel or other materials, shall not be liable, individually, for the debts of said company or corporation: *Provided*, the treasurer of said corporation shall annually publish in one or more of the public newspapers printed in the County, where said corporation is located, and, in case there is no newspaper printed in said County, in a public newspaper, printed in one of the adjoining Counties, a true and correct statement, on oath, of the amount of capital, actually paid into said company or corporation, and also a correct statement, on oath, of the amount of debts due from said corporation; *Provided*, the debts of said corporation shall not exceed fifty per cent. of the capital stock of said corporation, actually assessed and paid in.

Individual members, not to be held liable for company debts, if the treasurer publish an annual statement of capital paid in, and debts due from the company.

*Provided* the debts do not exceed one half of the capital.

[Approved April 16, 1841.]

**Chapter 193.**

AN ACT extending the powers of the District Court.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That any justice of the district court be, and hereby is authorized to grant reviews in all actions, in which judgment was rendered in the late court of common pleas within his

Power of the court to grant reviews, where judgments were rendered in the late court of common pleas.

district, and in which the said late court of common pleas had the power to grant reviews on the thirty-first day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, by virtue of any laws then in force; *Provided*, that application for such reviews shall be made within one year from the passage of this Act; and that the same be also in conformity to the provisions of the seventh section of the act of February twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, abolishing the court of common pleas and establishing district courts.

[Approved April 16, 1841.]

### Chapter 194.

AN ACT authorizing the President, Directors and Company of the Granite Bank to reduce their Capital Stock.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled*, That the President, Directors and Company of the Granite Bank, of Augusta, be and they hereby are authorized to reduce the capital stock of said bank, in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, on or before the first Monday of October next; and it shall be the duty of the cashier, within ten days after said reduction, to file a certificate thereof, under oath, with the Secretary of State: and the Governor and Council shall, as soon as may be thereafter, appoint two commissioners for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, at the expense of said corporation.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That no dividend of the capital stock of said bank, as now existing, shall be made, until the commissioners appointed as aforesaid, have examined the condition and situation of the funds and property of said corporation; for which purpose they shall have access to the vault, books and papers belonging to the same; and shall have a right to put any questions to the cashier and other officers of said bank, under oath, that they may

Reduction,  
\$25,000.

Time.

Cashier to file  
certificate with  
Sec'y of State  
within 10 days.

Commissioners  
to be appointed.

Dividend of capital stock not to be made until examination and report of commissioners.

Powers of commissioners.