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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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**CHAP. 18.**

Fourth district.

The county of Lincoln, together with that part of Oxford not annexed to the first congressional district, with the town of Greene, from Kennebec county, shall constitute the fourth district, and be entitled to one representative.

Fifth district.

The counties of Waldo and Somerset, except Vinalhaven, shall compose the fifth district, and be entitled to one representative.

Sixth district.

The counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis, shall compose the sixth district, and be entitled to one representative.

Seventh district.

The counties of Hancock, Washington and Aroostook, together with the town of Vinalhaven, in Waldo county, to compose the seventh district, and be entitled to one representative.

Representatives to reside in their district.

SECT. 2. The representatives chosen in the several districts shall at the time of their election, be residents therein. The foregoing division of the state into representative districts shall be, and continue in force until an apportionment of representatives among the several states shall be made by congress, after the taking of the seventh census.

Duration of apportionment.

Time of election.

SECT. 3. The election of representatives to congress, shall take place and be on the second Monday of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, and thereafter biennially: *provided*, the governor may order the first election prior to September next, if he deems it expedient.

Certain sections of the old act in force.

SECT. 4. So much of section three of an act entitled "an act providing for the choice of representatives to congress," approved February twenty-eighth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, as relates to the manner of calling meetings for the choice of representatives to congress, and the duties of officers of towns in presiding in said meetings, and making returns of votes, and also sections four, five, six and seven of said act, shall continue and be in force, except so far as the same may have been changed by the revised statutes of this state.

[Approved March 22, 1843.]

**Chapter 18.**

AN ACT requiring surveyors appointed by the agent of Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians to be sworn.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Surveyor of Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians to be sworn.

The surveyor, appointed by the agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, to scale and survey logs and other lumber, sold by

said agent, from the indian township belonging to said tribe ; shall, before entering upon the duties of his appointment, be sworn to the true and faithful performance of his trust, and file a certificate thereof with said agent.

[*Approved March 22, 1843.*]

CHAP. 19.

### Chapter 19.

AN ACT modifying the government of the Insane Hospital and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECT 1. The government of the Maine Insane Hospital at Augusta, shall be vested in a board of six trustees, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, for the term of three years ; and the board of trustees which shall be first appointed, shall be divided into three classes ; the term of office of the two trustees first named shall expire at the end of one year ; the two second named at the end of two years ; the other two at the end of three years ; so that one-third of the board may be appointed yearly ; and all vacancies are to be filled by the governor and council as aforesaid ; but no trustee whose term of office shall thus expire, shall be eligible to the said office for the term of one year.

Government of hospital.

How appointed.

Term of office.

Vacancies, how filled.

No trustee to be reappointed until after the expiration of one year.

SECT. 2. The said trustees shall have in charge the general care and management of the institution, and see that its affairs are conducted according to the requirements of the legislature and the by-laws and regulations, which the trustees shall establish, for the internal government and economy of the institution ; they shall have power to enact by-laws for its regulation and management ; and shall hold in trust, for the state, any grant, devise of land, or any donation or bequest of money, or other property, made, or to be made ; to be applied to the maintenance, comfort, and improvement of insane persons, and the general use of said institution. They shall also, be authorized in the name of the treasurer, to bring actions for the recovery of all debts due to the institution, and to answer to all suits that may be brought against them.

Duties of trustees.

SECT. 3. The trustees shall appoint a superintendent, and they shall also, in conjunction with the superintendent, appoint a steward, and such other officers as in their opinion, may be necessary for conducting efficiently and economically, the business of the institution ; and all appointments made by them, shall be made in

Officers of hospital, how appointed.