

ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1845.

REVISED STATUTES.

Duties of magistrates and civil officers in the counties of Somerset and Kennehec.

Proviso.

CHAP. 168. it is hereby required and made the duty of all magistrates and civil officers in the counties of Somerset and Kennebec respectively, to do and perform all acts and duties relating to such prisoners and debtors as they are authorized and required by law to do and perform for other prisoners and debtors arrested or committed within their respective counties: provided, however, that the county of Franklin shall be liable to pay to the respective counties of Kennebec and Somerset all expense or damage which may or shall arise or accrue from such commitments; and provided, also, that this act shall not continue in force from and after the time when a jail shall have been erected in said county of Franklin and prepared for the reception of prisoners, and the sheriff of said county of Franklin shall have been notified of that fact by the county commissioners.

[Approved April 7, 1845.]

Chapter 168.

AN ACT additional to the one hundred and thirty-eighth chapter of the revised statutes. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

The provisions of the thirteenth section of the one hundred and thirty eight chapter of the revised statutes, shall apply to all reports of references carried by exceptions from the district court to the supreme judicial court, whether made by referees appointed by the district court, or by referees under a submission before a justice; and in either case when any such report is before the supreme judicial court on exceptions, said court shall have all the discretionary power to accept, reject, or re-commit, according to the equity of the case, that is possessed by the district court; so that the opinion, direction, ruling or judgment of the district court in accepting, rejecting or recommitting the report of referees shall be deemed matter of law, so far as to be subject upon exceptions thereto, to revision in the supreme judicial court.

[Approved April 7, 1845.]

Application of provisions of sec. 13, ch. 138 R. S., relative to reports of referees.