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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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STATE OF MAINE,

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Chapter 182.

CHAP. 182.

An Act authorizing plantations organized for election purposes to choose constables.

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

That all plantations in this state, organized for the purpose of elections, under the provisions of an act, entitled "an act in relation to elections," approved the second day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, be and the same are hereby authorized and empowered to elect at their annual meeting for the choice of plantation officers, or at a special meeting legally called for that purpose, a constable or constables, who shall give the same bonds, have the same powers, and be subject to the same liabilities, as constables of towns.

How elected.

Their duties and liabilities.

[Approved, June 17, 1846.]

Chapter 183.

An Act relating to the electro magnetic telegraph.

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

Any person who shall willfully and maliciously injure or destroy any line of posts, glass caps, or other materials or fixtures employed in or for the construction and use of any line of electro magnetic telegraph, that shall be erected and used in this state, and all persons who shall aid and assist in the same, shall be punished in the manner provided in the third section of the one hundred and sixty-second chapter of the revised statutes.

Penalty for willfully injuring, destroying, &c.

[Approved June 19, 1846.]

Chapter 184.

An Act altering the time of holding the sessions of the district court in the county of Somerset.

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

SECTION I. The district court shall be held annually in the county of Somerset at Norridgewock, on the second Tuesday of January, the second Tuesday of May, the second Tuesday of October, instead of the times now provided by law for holding said court in said county.

Altering the times of holding the district court in the county of Somerset.

CHAP. 185.

Matters now pending, returnable to said court.

SECT. 2. All matters and things which may be pending or returnable to said court, shall be returned to and have day in, and be acted upon at the sessions of said court to be holden in pursuance of the provisions of this act.

When to take effect.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force on the eighth day of July, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-six; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

[Approved June 22, 1846.]

Chapter 185.

An Act in addition to the one hundred and forty-second chapter of the statutes of eighteen hundred and forty-five.

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

§ 2, ch. 148, statutes of 1845, repealed.

The provisions of that act shall apply to cases which have heretofore occurred.

The second section of said act is hereby repealed; and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of that act shall apply as well to cases which have heretofore occurred, as to such as may hereafter arise, and which are claimed within such time as the justices of said courts shall deem reasonable.

[Approved June 26, 1846.]

Chapter 186.

An Act additional in relation to the service of writs.

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

Writs, how served, in actions against any insurance company established out of this state.

In any action against any insurance company established in any other state or country, by an inhabitant of this state, or any policy of insurance made by or countersigned by any agent in this state, on property, or life or lives, within this state, a summons in usual form or copy of the writ and declaration delivered to the agent or attorney of such company within this state, or left at his last and usual place of abode, thirty days before the sitting of the court to which the same is returnable, shall be deemed a sufficient service thereof, or if such service shall be made upon the person being an inhabitant of the state, who signed or countersigned the policy on which such action is founded, it shall also be deemed a sufficient service: *provided*, that in either case the court may in their discretion order further notice to be given such company.

Proviso.

[Approved June 30, 1846.]