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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1847.

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1847.

CHAP. 8.

Expenses, how paid.

SECT. 3. To meet the expenditure aforesaid, the governor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the treasurer for a sum not exceeding twenty-six hundred dollars, annually, said sum to remain in the treasury subject to the drafts provided for in the second section of this act: the amount paid out upon said drafts to be deducted annually, from the income of the permanent school fund.

[Approved June 21, 1847.]

Chapter 8.

An act in addition to chapter four of the revised statutes further regulating the state library.

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

Certain officers allowed to take books from the state library.

SECT. 1. That in addition to the officers named in section four, chapter four, of the revised statutes, the secretary and members of the board of education may take books from the library: *provided*, that this privilege to members of the legislature, board of education and secretary, shall be limited to the time they may be in session.

Privilege of certain officers, limited.

No person permitted to have more than three vols. at any one time.

SEC. 2. No person authorized to take books from the library shall be permitted to have, at any one time, more than three volumes charged against his name upon the librarian's books.

Works not allowed to be taken from the library room.

SECT. 3. No law works of this or any other country, belonging to the library, (excepting those of the state of Maine,) Vattemare's exchanges, nor books presented by the United States or any other state, shall be allowed to be removed from the library room, except for the use of the two houses, and the committees at the committee rooms, during their session.

Inconsistent provisions repealed.

SECT. 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the foregoing provisions, are hereby repealed.

When to take effect.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved June 24, 1847.]

Chapter 9.

An act in relation to witnesses.

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

SECT. 1. If any person duly summoned and obliged to attend as a witness in any causes or matter depending before any justice of the peace, or judge of any municipal or police court, and shall fail so to do, without any reasonable excuse, such person shall be liable to the aggrieved party for all damages by him sustained by such default, and such justice, or judge of such court, shall have power to issue a *capias*, directed to a proper officer to apprehend such witness and bring him before such justice or judge, and to fine him at discretion, not exceeding the sum of twenty dollars, and order him to pay the cost of such attachment, and commit him until the same and all costs attending such commitment shall be paid.

CHAP. 10.

Liability of any person failing to appear before any justice of the peace or judge of any municipal or police court, when duly summoned as a witness.

SECT. 2. If such witness, being present before such justice or judge, shall refuse to answer such questions as may be propounded to him under the direction of such justice or judge, he may fine such witness at discretion, not exceeding twenty dollars, and commit him until the same and all costs attending such commitment shall be paid.

If present, and refuses to give evidence, penalty.

[Approved June 25, 1847.]

Chapter 10.

An act to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Washington.

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

The salary of the judge of probate for the county of Washington shall be three hundred dollars per annum, instead of the salary to which said officer is entitled by the one hundred and fiftieth chapter of the revised statutes.

Salary, \$300.

[Approved July 3, 1847.]

Chapter 11.

An act additional to section thirty-eight of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the revised statutes, exempting certain property from attachment and execution.

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

The following goods and property belonging to any debtor, shall be exempt from attachment and execution; that is to say, one ox

Property exempt from attachment.