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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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and to purchase, hold and enjoy, sell and convey property, real, personal and mixed; and also to take and hold devises, legacies and bequests: *provided*, that the value of the estate and property held and owned by them shall not at any time exceed in value five thousand dollars.

Election of officers.
By-laws.

SECT. 4. The said corporation shall have power to elect such officers and to make and establish such by-laws and rules for their regulation and government as to them shall seem meet and proper, and may change, alter and amend or repeal the same at their pleasure: *provided*, such laws and regulations be not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States.

Other rights, privileges and immunities.

SECT. 5. The said corporation shall and may have, use, exercise and enjoy all such other rights, privileges and immunities, as appertain to or are necessary to the legal existence of a corporation.

Funds not to be used for certain purposes.

SECT. 6. The said corporation shall not engage in or use their funds for any banking or manufacturing undertaking, or for any purpose not immediately connected with and calculated to promote the object for which the incorporation was granted.

Dues and benefits.

SECT. 7. No power granted by this act shall confer the right, upon any society, to sue any of its members for dues or contributions of any kind, nor shall it authorize any member to sue the society for any benefit or sum which may be due him as a benefit or charity; but all such rights and liabilities, dues and benefits, shall remain as they now are or may hereafter be provided for, in the by-laws, rules and regulations of said societies.

SECT. 8. This act may at any time be modified, altered or repealed by the legislature.

[Approved July 19, 1847.]

Chapter 15.

An act to amend chapter ninety-six of the revised statutes.

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

R. S. ch. 96, sec. 1, amended.

SECT. 1. The ninety-sixth chapter of the revised statutes shall be amended in section first, by striking out the word "two," and inserting "three," so that the first paragraph of said first section, as amended, will be as follows:

S. J. courts to consist of a chief justice and 3 associate justices.

"SECT. 1. The supreme judicial court shall consist of a chief justice and three associate justices."

R. S. ch. 96, sec. 23, amended.

SECT. 2. The same chapter shall be further amended in section twenty-three, by striking out the word "two," in the first line, and

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the words "the justice, who is," in the third line, and insert in the third line, the words "the justices," so that the first paragraph of said twenty-third section will be as follows :

"**SECT. 23.** In all cases where any of the justices of said court have been of counsel for either party, or are otherwise interested in such actions, the justices, not disqualified as aforesaid, shall have the like power to hear and decide all questions and matters of law, mentioned in the preceding section."

Decision of law questions, in certain cases.

[Approved July 22, 1847.]

Chapter 16.

An act to amend the thirty-ninth chapter of the revised statutes.

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

"**SECT. 1.** The first section of the thirty-ninth chapter of the revised statutes shall be amended by inserting after the word "dexterity," in the fifth line, the words "or theatrical performances," so that the same as amended will be as follows :

R. S. ch. 39, sec. 1, amended.

"**SECT. 1.** If any person shall for money or other valuable article, in any city, town or plantation in this state, exhibit any images or pageantry, sleight of hand tricks, puppet show or circus, or any feats of balancing, wire-dancing, personal agility, sleight or dexterity, or theatrical performances, without a license therefor, as hereinafter provided, he shall forfeit and pay, for every such offense, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars."

Penalty for exhibiting pageantry, shows or tricks, or theatrical performances without license.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

When to take effect.

[Approved July 26, 1847.]

Chapter 17.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and seventy-two of the revised statutes.

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

"**SECT. 1.** In any county in this state, in which two terms of the supreme judicial court are annually holden by law, no grand jurors shall be summoned to attend at the fall or law term, unless the court shall otherwise order.

Grand jurors not to be summoned, to attend law term of S. J. court, in certain cases.