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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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CHAP. 37. which may be hereafter erected, in whole or in part by the state, faster than a walk, he shall forfeit and pay for each offense a fine of three dollars, to be recovered by complaint in an action of debt, one half to the use of the complainant and the other half to the use of the state: *provided*, there shall be erected and kept constantly exposed to view, in some conspicuous place, at each end of said bridge or bridges, a board or sign on which the substance of this regulation shall be fairly and legibly painted.

How recovered.

Sign to be erected at each end of said bridge.

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

[Approved June 14, 1848.]

Chapter 37.

An act respecting the legality of town meetings.

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

Officer warning town meeting allowed to amend his return in certain cases.

SECT. 1. In any action where the proceedings of any town meeting heretofore held are or may be in dispute, when it shall be made to appear by affidavit or otherwise, that the constable or officer warning such meeting, had given the notice as contemplated in the fifth chapter of the revised statutes, but had omitted to make a full return thereof, as contemplated by the provisions of the said chapter, it shall be the duty of the court to allow him to amend such return accordingly.

If original warrant be lost, a copy may be used in evidence.

SECT. 2. When in any such case the original warrant shall be proved to be lost or destroyed, a copy thereof may be used in evidence, and such constable or warning officer shall be allowed to make a certificate of his doings on such copy.

[Approved June 14, 1848.]

Chapter 38.

An act to amend the forty-first chapter of the revised statutes.

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

Ch. 41, R. S.—relative to killing moose and deer.

The forty-first chapter of the revised statutes shall be amended by striking out the word "July" and inserting in-

stead thereof the word "March;" and by striking out the word "November" and inserting instead thereof the word "July."

CHAP. 39.

[Approved June 14, 1848.]

Chapter 39.

An act to protect certain buildings against fire.

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

SECT. 1. No person shall enter any mill, factory, machine-shop, ship-yard, covered bridges, stable or other building, having with him a lighted pipe or cigar, or shall light or smoke any pipe or cigar therein, under a penalty of five dollars for each offense: *provided*, the owner or tenant of such mill, factory, machine-shop, ship-yard, covered bridge, stable or other building, shall cause a notice in plain and legible characters to be affixed and kept up in a conspicuous place, over or near every principal entrance into such mill, factory, machine-shop, ship-yard, covered bridge, stable or other building, that no smoking is allowed in the same.

Lighted pipes or cigars prohibited in ship-yards, buildings, &c.

Penalty.

Notice to be kept up at such places.

SECT. 2. If any person shall deface, remove or destroy any such notice, without permission of the tenant or owner of such mill, factory, machine-shop, ship-yard, covered bridges, stable or other building, he shall be liable to a fine of ten dollars for each offense.

Penalty for removing or destroying such notice.

SECT. 3. Prosecutions for an offense against the provisions of this act shall be commenced by complaint before any justice of the peace or municipal court in the county where the same is committed.

Prosecution, how commenced

[Approved June 21, 1848.]

Chapter 40.

An act in addition to the thirty-second chapter of the revised statutes.

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

SECT. 1. In any cases hereafter arising under the fifty-sixth section of the revised statutes, relating to the landing of foreign

Relative to the landing of foreign passengers.