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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1848.

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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.

CHAP. 41. passengers, the selectmen of towns may in their discretion accept such a bond as is provided for by said section, or may require the payment of a sum of money in commutation therefor, anything in said chapter to the contrary notwithstanding; but such commutation money shall not exceed the sum of two dollars for every such passenger.

Sec. 32, R. S.—  
applicable to the  
provisions of this  
act.

SECT. 2. All the provisions of said thirty-second chapter, designed to enforce compliance with the duties and liabilities therein imposed upon shipmasters bringing foreign passengers into this state, and all the process and penalties therein established for that purpose, shall be applicable to and may be applied to enforce the provisions of this act and to restrain and punish any violations of the same.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved June 22, 1848.]

### Chapter 41.

An act additional to an act to establish a board of education.

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

Meetings of su-  
perintending  
school commit-  
tees.

SECT. 1. The annual meetings of the superintending school committees provided for in the act to which this is additional, shall hereafter be held at such time and place in each county as the member of the board for the county shall appoint: *provided*, that in any county in which a teachers' institute shall be held, said meeting may be appointed at the place where such institute is held, and on some day during the session thereof. And it shall be the duty of the member of the board for each county to give notice of the time and place by him appointed for said meeting, by forwarding a notice thereof to the superintending school committees of the several towns in said county, thirty days, at least, before the time so appointed.

Notice to be  
given.

—by secretary in  
certain cases.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of member of the board for any county, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the board, to appoint the time and place and give the notice before provided.

Annual report.

SECT. 3. The annual report of the board shall be made in the month of May, instead of the month of April as now required.