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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1849.

Chapter 122.**CHAP. 122.**

An act to amend the forty-sixth section of the sixteenth chapter of the revised statutes.

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

The sergeants of companies shall be appointed by and receive warrants from the commanding officers of their respective companies ; and so much of the forty-sixth section of the sixteenth chapter of the revised statutes, as is inconsistent therewith is hereby repealed.

Sergeants of companies, how appointed.

[*Approved August 10, 1849.*]

Chapter 123.

An act in relation to taking depositions.

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

Depositions may be taken in manner now prescribed by law and used in the trial of civil causes when the deponent resides in any city, town or place, other than that in which the court or referees sit, before whom the cause is pending ; and this cause of taking shall be certified accordingly in the caption : *Provided, however,* any party who designs to object to the use of any deposition taken as aforesaid may summon the deponent to appear at the trial of the cause, and if present so that the testimony may be taken at the trial orally, the deposition shall not be used nor the cost of taking taxed, in the judgment.

Depositions, how taken.

Proviso.

[*Approved August 11, 1849.*]

Chapter 124.

An act to appropriate the interest upon the permanent school fund to the support of primary schools.

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

SECT. 1. There is hereby appropriated to the support of primary schools, in this state, a sum of money annually, which shall be equal to six per centum upon the whole amount of the

Interest, appropriated to support of primary schools.

CHAP. 125.

permanent school fund received by the treasurer of state, under the provisions of an act approved February twenty-third, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, entitled "an act providing for the promotion of education."

Time and manner of distribution.

SECT. 2. The treasurer of state shall, annually, in the month of May, distribute to the several cities, towns and plantations, in the same manner and upon the same basis, as the tax on banks is now by law distributed, the sum appropriated in the first section of this act.

Apportionment among school districts.

SECT. 3. The selectmen of towns and assessors of plantations shall, annually, apportion and cause to be distributed the sums received from the state, by virtue of this act, among their several school districts, in the same manner as other money raised for the support of schools, is required to be apportioned and distributed.

Not to exonerate towns from raising sums now required by law.

SECT. 4. Nothing in this act contained shall exonerate any city, town or plantation, from raising and expending for the support of schools, the sums now required of them, respectively, by law.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts thereof inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 11, 1849.]

Chapter 125.

An act additional to the sixty-fifth chapter of the laws of Maine, entitled "an act giving further time to redeem lands forfeited for taxes, and for the disposition of lands which may hereafter become forfeited."

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

Land agent to fix minimum price before offering for sale.

SECT. 1. Whenever the land agent shall offer for sale any tract or township of land, by virtue of the provisions of the act to which this is additional, he shall fix a minimum price thereon, equal to the amount of the taxes, interest, and charges certified by the state treasurer, together with all the charges thereon incurred at his office; and if no person shall appear to purchase the same at public sale, the land agent is hereby authorized, at any time within one year from that time, to sell any such tract or township at private sale at such minimum price, adding thereto the accruing interest, at the rate of twenty per centum per annum up to the time when he shall so sell the same; and

--if not sold at public sale, may sell at private sale.