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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.

CHAP. 144.

Chapter 144.

An act to prohibit the circulation of advertisements in the form of bank bills.

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

Penalty.

If any person within this state shall put in circulation, or cause to be distributed any notice, advertisement or shop bill in the form, resemblance and similarity of bank bills, he shall be liable to a penalty of fifty dollars, to be recovered in the name and to the use of any person who shall prosecute therefor.

[Approved August 15, 1849.]

Chapter 145.

An act in relation to the returns of railroad corporations.

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

Annual report to
be made to the
secretary of state.

SECT. 1. Every railroad corporation shall make an annual report to the secretary of state, of the operations of the year, ending on the first day of January, which report shall be verified by the oath of the treasurer of the corporation, and filed in the office of the secretary of state, twenty days before the annual meeting of the legislature, and shall state, first, the length of the road in operation, the length of single track, the length of double track, the time when laid and the weight of the rail per yard; second, the capital stock, and the amount called and paid in; third, the whole cost of the road, showing the amount expended for the purchase of lands, for grading, for expenses of engineering, for bridging, for masonry, for iron, for passenger and other cars; fourth, the amount and nature of its indebtedness and the amount due to the corporation; fifth, the number of through and way passengers and the rate of fare; sixth, the amount received for the transportation of passengers, of property, of the mails and other sources; seventh, the number of depots, engine houses, shops, engines and cars; eighth, the number of miles run by passenger, freight and other trains respectively and the average rate of speed; ninth, the whole number of stockholders and the number who reside in this state; tenth, the amount of each dividend and when made; eleventh, the amount charged for depreciation of road and other property; twelfth, the number of persons injured in life or

limb, the cause of injury and whether passengers or persons employed; thirteenth, whether any such accidents have arisen from carelessness or negligence of any person in the employ of the corporation, and whether such person is retained in the service of the corporation.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to arrange the information which may be contained in such reports in a tabular form and prepare the same in a single document for the use of the legislature at the commencement of its session.

Duty of secretary of state.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one.

[Approved August 15, 1849.]

Chapter 146.

An act in relation to the payment of taxes.

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

That any purchaser of any lands which have been or may hereafter be sold by the land agent in pursuance of the sixty-fifth chapter of the laws of Maine, approved August tenth one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, or of an act additional thereto, approved August eleventh one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, be and hereby is authorized to pay to the state treasurer any taxes, interest and charges, which may be due to the state on any tract so purchased and such payment shall be a charge on said land to be repaid to such purchaser before the same shall be redeemed, with interest at the rate of twenty per centum per annum, which penal interest shall be computed from the time when the same would or shall have commenced in favor of the state.

Purchasers of forfeited lands may pay the tax, interest and charges due thereon to state treasurer.

Such payment shall be a charge on said lands, with 20 per cent. interest.

[Approved August 15, 1849.]