

ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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either of the parties are residing within the state, or since the CHAP. 172. passage of the acts to which this is additional, but may allege and prove any facts tending to show that the divorce would be reasonable and proper, conducive to domestic harmony, for the good of the parties, and consistent with the peace and morality of society.

SECT. 3. The eighth section of the eighty-ninth chapter of the revised statutes shall be amended by striking out the words "making a distinct count for each alleged cause of divorce."

SECT. 4. The second, twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth sections of the eighty-ninth chapter of the revised statutes are hereby repealed.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this Acts repeated. act are hereby repealed.

[Approved August 16, 1850.]

Chapter 172.

An act additional to the fourteenth chapter of the revised statutes.

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

In redeeming any lot of non-resident proprietor's land, assessed in any town for taxes, and duly advertised for sale or forfeiture, the amount to be paid for the publication of the several notices shall be ascertained by adding fifty per cent. to the sums paid the printer, and by dividing the aggregate by the number of lots advertised, and such proportional cost only shall be allowed.

[Approved August 16, 1850.]

Chapter 173.

An act providing for the publication of the decisions of the supreme judicial court.

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

SECT. 1. There shall be a reporter of the law decisions of the Reporter of law supreme judicial court to be appointed as heretofore provided.

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The present reporter shall continue in office ac- Term of office. SECT. 2.

Notices for sale of non-resident lands, how esti-mated and paid.

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DECISIONS OF SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

 $\frac{\text{CHAP. 173.}}{\text{salary.}}$ cording to the tenor of his commission, and with the established salary.

Duty of reporter. SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the reporter, by his personal attendance when practicable and by the best other means in his power, to prepare true and authentic reports of the decisions of said court in all legal questions that shall be argued by counsel, and publish the same annually, exercising his discretion in reporting the several cases more or less at large, according to their relative importance so as not unnecessarily to increase the size or number of the volumes of the reports.

He shall publish at least one volume of the re-Sect. 4. ports in each year, and be entitled to the profits of the work, he being bound to furnish the usual number to be taken by the state at two dollars and fifty cents each, which number the secretary is hereby authorized to procure and distribute as heretofore, and also to furnish to citizens to be used only within the state, at the same price. The said volumes to be of the average size of Metcalf's reports, and be equal in style to them as to paper, printing, binding and general finish, and also as to the quantity of printed matter. Provided, said reporter shall not be bound to furnish said volumes after two years from the time of their publication at two dollars and fifty cents each, if he relinquish his title to the profits thereof given him by this act, to the state, which he is hereby authorized to do.

SECT. 5. Each reporter shall be bound to make up and complete the cases argued during his continuance in office and up to the time of his retirement.

SECT. 6. The reporter is permitted to take books, (including law books,) from the library in the same manner as accorded to the justices of the district court.

SECT. 7. All former legislation on the subject matter of this act, except a resolve passed at the present session, and such legislation as provides for purchase and distribution of previous volumes of reports, is hereby repealed.

[Approved August 20, 1850.]

Reports, when published and price.

Size and quality.

Proviso.

Reporter to make up all cases argued during his term of office.

Reporter authorized to take books from the state library.