

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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**Chapter 187.****CHAP. 187.**

An act altering the time of holding the February term of the district court in the county of Waldo.

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

SECT. 1. The term of the district court for the middle district, now holden at Belfast, within and for the county of Waldo, on the second Tuesday of February of each year, shall hereafter be holden at said Belfast, on the first Tuesday of said month.

Time changed to first Tuesday of February.

SECT. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved August 26, 1850.]

**Chapter 188.**

An act additional to an act entitled "an act to amend chapter eighty, section thirty-five, of the revised statutes," approved August thirteenth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

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

SECT. 1. The provisions of the act to which this act is additional, shall not extend or apply to any actions of debt, for any penalty or any suits at law commenced prior to the thirteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, the date of the approval of said act, and pending at the time of its passage.

Of turnpike corporations and toll bridges.

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

[Approved August 26, 1850.]

**Chapter 189.**

An act to prevent the explosion of steam-boilers.

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

SECT. 1. No person or corporation shall use, or cause to be used, any steam-boiler in this state, unless the same be provided with a fusible safety plug, to be made of lead, or some

Steam boilers to be provided with a fusible safety plug.

**CHAP. 190.**

Description.

other equally fusible material, and to be of a diameter of not less than one-half an inch, which plug shall be placed in the roof of the fire-box, when a fire-box is used; and, in all cases, shall be placed in a part of the boiler fully exposed to the action of the fire, and as near the top of the water-line as any part of the fire surface of the boiler; and for this purpose, it shall be lawful to use Ashcroft's "protected safety fusible plug."

Penalty for removing such plug, or substituting a different material.

SECT. 2. If any person shall, without just and proper cause, remove from the boiler the safety plug thereof, or shall substitute therefor any material more capable of resisting the action of the fire than the said safety plug so removed, he shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Penalty for using steam boiler unprovided with such plug.

SECT. 3. If any person or corporation shall use, or cause to be used, in this state, for the space of six consecutive days, a steam-boiler unprovided with a safety fusible plug, as named in the first section, such person or corporation so offending, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

[Approved August 26, 1850.]

## Chapter 190.

An act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes.

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

Taxes on cattle, sheep or swine, belonging to non-residents, how collected.

When the owner or possessor of horses, mules, neat cattle, sheep or swine, resides in any other town, city or plantation than the one in which said animals are kept, the constable or collector to whom any assessment on such animals shall be committed for collection, with a legal warrant, may demand the same of such owner in any part of the state, and, upon his refusal to pay the same, may distrain such person by his goods, and for want thereof may commit him to the common jail of the county where he may be found, there to be detained until such tax shall be paid, or he be thence delivered by due course of law.

[Approved August 26, 1850.]