

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1851.

Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to resolves of June 28, 1820, February 26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

Augusta:

WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, PRINTER TO THE STATE.

1851.

PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1851.

213
Chapter 113.

CHAP. 213.

An act to prohibit actions on demands or claims settled, canceled or discharged for less than the sum due.

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

SECT. 1. No action shall be maintained in any court of this state on any demand or claim, which has been settled, canceled or discharged by the receipt of any sum of money less than the amount legally due thereon, or for any good or valuable consideration, however small, by the owner thereof or by his agent or attorney to whom the same has been entrusted for collection or settlement, whether such agent or attorney be generally or specially authorized.

Actions prohibited on claims settled for less than the sum due.

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

[Approved June 3, 1851.]

Chapter 214.

An act to increase the salary of the register of probate of Somerset county.

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

The salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Somerset, shall, from and after the passage of this act, be four hundred dollars a year instead of the sum now allowed by law. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

Salary, \$100.

[Approved June 3, 1851.]

Chapter 215.

An act to extend the tenure of office of certain county officers.

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

SECT. 1. There shall be no election held on the second Monday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, in this state, for the choice of county treasurers, county commissioners, registers of deeds,

No election of certain county officers in 1851.

CHAP. 215. clerks of courts, or county attorneys, for any of the counties in said state.

Term of present incumbents extended.

SECT. 2. The term of office of any of said county officers mentioned in the preceding section, which shall under the present laws expire within one year from the second Monday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, shall be extended, and they shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year after such expiration.

Registers of deeds, how and when elected.

SECT. 3. Registers of deeds for the several counties and registry districts in this state shall be elected by ballot, by such persons as are qualified to vote for representatives at town and plantation meetings, on the second Monday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and on every succeeding fifth year.

New bonds to be given.

SECT. 4. All of said officers mentioned in said first section, who are by present laws required to give bonds before entering upon their respective offices, shall be required to give new bonds for the term that their several offices are hereby extended, in the same manner and subject to the same laws now in force in relation to giving bonds before entering upon the discharge of the duties of their respective offices; and in case of failure to give such bonds, there shall be a vacancy in said office, which shall be filled as is required by law in such cases as are now provided for, and in all other cases, as are provided for in section five of this act.

Vacancies, how filled.

SECT. 5. Any vacancy occurring in any of the offices named in the first and third sections of chapter third, of the laws of this state, entitled "an act for the election of certain county officers," approved February twenty-second, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, prior to the second Monday of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, shall be filled by the appointment of some suitable person by the governor, with advice of council, to continue until another shall be chosen to fill the vacancy, at the next election of state and county officers.

SECT. 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed; and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved June 3, 1851.]