

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

EXTRA SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 1853,

AND THE

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1854.

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Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820,  
Feb. 26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.  
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Augusta:

WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, PRINTER TO THE STATE.

1854.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1854.

Chapter 285.

An act respecting the erection of wooden buildings in the city of Portland.

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

Wooden build-
ings, erection of
regulated.

SECT. 1. The city council of the city of Portland is hereby authorized to establish limits in said city by ordinance of the council, within which it shall not be lawful to erect wooden buildings exceeding ten feet in height from the ground to the eaves of the roof. The limits so established shall not afterwards be changed within one year from the passage of the ordinance establishing the same; and whenever any new limits shall be defined and established for the purposes contemplated by this act, the ordinance establishing the same shall take effect in four months from its passage and not sooner.

Penalty for
violation.

SECT. 2. If any person shall erect a wooden building in said city, in violation of this act, such person shall forfeit and pay for every such offense a sum not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, to be recovered to the use of said city, by indictment in any court of competent jurisdiction. And in addition to such penalty, any building hereafter erected in violation of this act shall be deemed and taken to be a nuisance and shall be liable to be abated as such, according to the process provided by law in cases of nuisance.

Act, when to
take effect.

SECT. 3. This act shall not take effect until the first day of August next; but the city council may establish the limits aforesaid at any time before that date; and so much of the one hundred and sixty-seventh chapter of private acts, passed in eighteen hundred fifty-three, as relates to the erection of wooden buildings in said city shall be repealed from and after the passage of this act.

[Approved April 1, 1854.]

Chapter 286.

An act to incorporate the American Bank.

Corporators.

SECT. 1. John Hubbard, Henry Cooper, junior, Stephen Davenport, Alden Sampson, E. G. Dole, John Otis, Thomas W. Newman, Ebenezer Horn, E. J. Smith, Thomas M. Andrews and E. E. Rice, their associates, successors and assigns, be and hereby

Corporate name.

are incorporated into a company by the name of the President, Directors and Company of the American Bank.