

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1855.

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been awarded by the sentence of any justice of the peace. The judge may appoint and employ a recorder, who shall be a justice of the peace for said county, duly qualified, at his own expense and during his pleasure, who shall be duly sworn; and in case of the absence or sickness of the judge, shall have all the powers of the judge, except the trial of issues in civil actions; and the judge, when no such recorder is appointed by him, shall perform all the duties which are now by law to be performed by the recorder.

CHAP. 143.

Recorder
appointment and
duties of.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts which are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

[Approved March 12, 1855.]

Chapter 143.

An act to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of stock in corporations.

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

SECT. 1. Every president, cashier, treasurer, secretary, or other officer, and every agent of any bank, railroad, manufacturing or other corporation, who shall willfully and designedly sign, with intent to issue, sell or pledge, or cause to be issued, sold or pledged, or shall willfully and designedly issue, sell or pledge, or cause to be issued, sold or pledged, any false, fraudulent, or simulated certificate, or other evidence of the ownership, or transfer of any share or shares of the capital stock of such corporation, or any certificate or other evidence of the ownership or transfer of any share or shares in stock in such corporation, or any instrument purporting to be a certificate, or other evidence of such ownership or transfer, the signing, issuing, selling or pledging of which, by such president, cashier, treasurer, or other officer or agent, shall not be authorized by the charter and by-laws of such corporation, or by some amendment thereof, shall be adjudged guilty of felony, and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, and imprisonment in the state prison not less than one year nor more than ten years, in the discretion of the court.

The fraudulent
issuing and
transfer of
certificates of
stock in
corporations
prohibited.

Penalty for.

[Approved March 12, 1855.]