

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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town, plantation, or school district, may be amended, under oath as aforesaid, according to the fact, by the clerk, assessors, or other officers of said city, town, plantation or school district, by whom such informalities, omissions or errors occurred, whether such person shall be in office at the time or not. CHAP. 147.

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

[Approved March 12, 1855.]

Chapter 147.

An act additional to chapter one hundred and four of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-four, entitled "An act additional to an act to provide for the education of youth."

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

The selectmen and superintending school committees of towns, and the assessors and superintending school committees of cities and plantations, shall have the power, and it shall be their duty, annually to apportion ten cents of the sixty cents required to be raised by the second section of said chapter one hundred and four, among the districts in their several towns, cities and plantations, in such manner, as in their judgment shall give to the smaller districts a more equal opportunity of enjoying the benefits of common school education with the larger districts.

Power and duty of certain towns and plantation officers to apportion school money.

[Approved March 13, 1855.]

Chapter 148.

An act to change the time for the close of the financial year of the State Reform School.

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

SECT. 1. The fifteenth section of "An act to establish the State Reform School," approved March twenty-third, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, is hereby amended by striking out the word "November" occurring in said section, and inserting in place thereof the word "March," so that the last sentence in said section will read, as amended, as follows: "A financial statement, furnishing

Financial year of state reform school, changed.

—statement to be made.

CHAP. 149. an accurate detailed account of the receipts and expenditures for the year terminating on the last day of the month of March next preceding, shall also be furnished."

—statement how made.

SECT. 2. The financial statement which shall be made, under said fifteenth section, in December next, shall embrace the receipts and expenditures from the last day of the month of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, to the last day of the month of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

Appropriation for necessary expenditures of said school.

SECT. 3. In order further to provide for the change in the financial year of said school, contemplated by this act, there is hereby appropriated, to meet the necessary expenditures of said school from the last day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, to the last day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, the sum of five thousand six hundred dollars, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury; and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is hereby authorized to draw his warrant, payable to the treasurer of said school, upon the treasury for the same.

Interest on legacy of Isaac Sanford, how appropriated.

SECT. 4. There is hereby appropriated as above, to be drawn and paid as above, the further sum of forty-two dollars, being the amount of interest from the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, to the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, on a legacy of seven hundred dollars, paid into the treasury by the executor of Isaac Sanford, late of the town of Kennebec, for the use of said school, the said sum to be expended by the trustees of the school in the purchase of books for the library of the school.

[Approved March 13, 1855.]

Chapter 149.

An act giving further powers to cities and towns to pass by-laws and ordinances.

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

Cities and towns authorized to locate side walks, plant trees, &c.

SECT. 1. Every city and town in this state may by ordinances or by-laws duly passed, reserve and set off as side-walks, such portions of the streets in said cities and towns, as they may deem convenient and proper, and authorize the planting of trees by the side of them, and adopt such regulations as they may think neces-