

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1857.

Chapter 36.

An act to exempt libraries from attachment and execution.

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

In addition to the goods and property now exempted by law from attachment and execution, a library, not exceeding in value one hundred and fifty dollars, shall be exempt therefrom.

Libraries exempt
from attachment
and execution.

[Approved April 13, 1857.]

Chapter 37.

An act additional concerning the powers of judges of probate.

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

The judge of probate having jurisdiction, may license and empower executors, administrators or guardians, when it appears to him to be for the advantage of the parties interested, to sell and convey pews, or interests in pews, in a meeting-house belonging to the estate under their charge, in the same manner that he may authorize the sale of goods and chattels.

Judge of probate
may grant license
to sell pews, in
certain cases.

[Approved April 13, 1857.]

Chapter 38.

An act additional to chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to timber upon rivers and streams.

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

If any person shall willfully and fraudulently take, carry away, or otherwise convert to his own use, without the consent of the owner, any railroad sleeper, any knee, or other description of ship timber, any cedar for shingles, or for other purposes, being the property of another, whether the owner thereof be known or unknown, lying or being in any river, pond, bay, stream or inlet, or on or near the bank or shore thereof, within this state, or shall cut out, alter, or destroy any mark made on any such railroad sleeper, knee, or other description of ship timber, or cedar, he shall forfeit and pay for each and every such sleeper, knee or other description

Penalty for
fraudulently using
timber, &c.,
without consent
of owner.

—altering or
destroying
marks, &c.

CHAP. 39.

Liabie for double amount of property taken.

Rights and liabilities of owners.

of ship timber, or cedar, the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered in the same manner and for the same uses as provided in section one of said chapter, and shall be liable to pay the owner or owners thereof double the value of the same, as provided in section four of said chapter; and the owner or owners of any such railroad sleepers, knees, or other description of ship timber, or cedar, shall have all the rights, benefits and privileges, and be subject to all the liabilities, provided for the owner or owners of logs, masts or spars, in sections five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten and eleven of said chapter.

[Approved April 13, 1857.]

Chapter 39.

An act amending chapter two hundred and sixty-five of public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, approved April ninth, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, respecting the militia.

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

Number of volunteer militia reduced.

Section seven of chapter two hundred and sixty-five of the public laws, approved April ninth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, is hereby amended, by striking out in the second line the word ten, and inserting instead thereof the word four.

[Approved April 13, 1857.]

Chapter 40.

An act relating to the appointment of guardians of insane married women.

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

Guardians to insane married women, appointment of, &c.

SECT. 1. The judge of probate in any county may appoint the husband, or some other suitable person, guardian of an insane married woman, belonging to said county, on a written application of the municipal officers of the town where she belongs; such application shall be made, and all proceedings thereon had, as provided in chapter one hundred and ten of the revised statutes.

—bond and authority of.

SECT. 2. The guardian so appointed shall give bond as other guardians, and is authorized to apply such portions of her estate to