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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Chapter 84.

An act respecting the compensation of registers of probate in certain cases.

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

SECT. 1. Whenever any foreign will is proved in any county in this state, or administration granted on the estate of any person deceased who was not a resident in this state, or administration is granted to any public administrator, or guardian appointed for any minor not resident in this state, the register of probate in the county where such proceedings are had, shall be entitled to a reasonable compensation to be fixed by the judge of probate for the county, for entering and filing all the orders and decrees of the court in such proceedings, and making up the necessary records therein, to be paid for by such executor, administrator or guardian out of the estate which he represents, and to be allowed him in the settlement of his account.

Compensation of registers of probate to be fixed by judge in certain cases.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor.

[Approved March 29, 1859.]

Chapter 85.

An act additional to chapter twelve of the revised statutes, relating to parishes.

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

SECT. 1. When it shall be deemed necessary or expedient by any organized parish for such parish to become the owner of the pews in any church or meeting house used as a place of religious worship by such parish, a meeting of the owners and occupants of such pews may be called as provided in section six of chapter twelve of the revised statutes, and a majority of such pew owners and occupants, at such meeting, may vote to convey by deed of sale or gift, the pews by them owned or occupied to such parish.

Parish may become owners of pews, proceedings.

SECT. 2. Any owner or occupant of a pew in such church or meeting house, dissenting from the action of the majority at any such meeting, shall express his dissent in writing to the clerk of such parish within one month from the time of such meeting, and his pew shall thereupon be appraised, as provided in section twenty-five of said chapter twelve, and the appraised value thereof shall be tendered to such owner or occupant, who shall thereupon execute.

Owner of pew dissenting, proceedings.

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and deliver a deed of such pew to said parish; where no such written dissent is given, the pews of such owner or occupant shall be forfeited to the said parish.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved March 29, 1859.]

Chapter 86.

An act additional to chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes.

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

Ch. 78, sec. 21,
R. S. amended.

SECT. 1. Section twenty-one of chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes, is amended so as to read as follows:

Power of county commissioners to obtain loans restricted.

SECT. 21. The county commissioners have power to obtain loans of money for the use of their county, and to cause notes or obligations, with coupons for lawful interest to be issued for payment thereof at such times as they deem expedient; but such loans shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, without first obtaining the consent of the county, substantially as provided in sections sixteen and seventeen.

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

[Approved March 29, 1859]

Chapter 87.

An act concerning allowances to widows.

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

Judge may order allowance to widow during pendency of appeal.

SECT. 1. When a will has been proved and allowed by a judge of probate, and an appeal from his decree has been claimed, and a special administrator has been appointed, or letters testamentary have been granted to the executors named in such will, the judge of probate may, during the pendency of such appeal, order an allowance to the widow of the deceased as in other cases, and such administrator or executor, besides paying debts and charges of administration, shall also pay said allowance.