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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1860.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1860.

Chapter 186.

CHAP. 186.

An act to reduce the number of the members of the board of agriculture, and to amend chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes relating to the same.

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

SECT. 1. The board of agriculture shall hereafter consist of one member elected by the state agricultural society, and one member from each county in the state. The members shall be elected as now provided in chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes, but in case there is more than one society in a county, then the member from that county shall be elected by a convention of delegates, consisting of five from each society in such county, to be chosen at any regular meeting of such societies, said convention to be called at such time and place as may be designated by the executive officers of the oldest society in such county, by a written notice from the secretary of said oldest society to the secretary or secretaries of such other society or societies as may be in said county ; but it shall be the duty of the executive officers of said oldest society to appoint the time for holding said convention before the second Wednesday of December in each year. The delegates thus assembled in convention shall select a chairman and secretary, and by ballot make choice of a member of the board of agriculture for the county, and the secretary shall deliver to the member thus elected a certificate of his election, signed by him, and such certificate shall be evidence of his membership of the board of agriculture. And at the next annual meeting of the board of agriculture, the members thereof shall be divided, classified and designated in the mode, and hold their office for the time, as is provided in section second of chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes.

Board, how constituted and elected.

—member, how elected, if more than one society in county.

Convention for election, when to be held.

—proceedings at.

Members of board to be classified.

SECT. 2. Chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby so amended that section three shall read as follows :

Ch. 53, sec. 3, R. S. amended.

SECT. 3. The board of agriculture shall meet at the capitol annually, on the third Wednesday of January, and may elect a suitable person as secretary of the board, and prescribe his duties ; and in case of vacancy by death or otherwise, the governor, with advice of his council, may fill it ; all reports and returns required by law to be made by said societies, shall be made to the secretary of the board ; his compensation shall be ten hundred dollars a year, and such necessary traveling and incidental expenses as accrue in the discharge of his duties, and an account thereof shall first be audited and allowed by the governor and council. The compensation of the members of the board, including one messenger to the board, shall be two dollars a day for a term not exceeding fourteen days, and six cents a mile for travel ; but if a member of the board is also

Board to meet annually at capitol.

Secretary, his election.

—vacancy, how filled.

—reports to be made to him.

—his compensation.

Compensation of members.

Proviso.

CHAP. 187. a member or officer of the legislature, he shall receive compensation in but one capacity.

Ch. 58, sec. 4,
R. S. amended.

SECT. 3. Section four of said chapter is hereby so amended as to read as follows :

Board, duties
of.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of said board to investigate all such subjects relating to agriculture, horticulture and the arts connected therewith, as they may think proper, and may take, hold in trust and exercise control over any donations or bequests made to it for promoting agricultural education or the general interests of husbandry, and annually, on or before the third Wednesday of January, by its secretary, it shall submit to the legislature a detailed report of its doings, with such statistics as he may collect, and such recommendations and suggestions as the interests of agriculture seem to require, and also an abstract or digest of the returns of the several agricultural and horticultural societies, and cause to be printed under his direction and control, not more than fifteen thousand copies of said report, and five thousand of said abstract, five thousand of said report and one thousand of said abstract for the use of the legislature, and the remainder for distribution, under the direction of the board, among the people of the state.

—may hold in
trust donations.

—to make
annual report
to legislature.

Report, print-
ing and distri-
bution of.

[Approved March 20, 1860.]

Chapter 187.

An act to amend an act entitled “ an act regulating the salaries of the officers of the county of Lincoln,” approved March seventeen, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

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

Salaries of
officers.

SECT. 1. The salaries of the judge and register of probate in the county of Lincoln shall remain the same for the year eighteen hundred and sixty, as fixed in chapter one hundred and fifteen of the revised statutes.

Acts repealed.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

[Approved March 20, 1860.]