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Chapter 1.

An act to regulate the alteration of the limits of the wards in cities.

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

SECTION 1. No change or alteration, in the limits of any ward in any city in this state by any action or proceedings of the city council, shall be of any force or effect, unless the same shall be submitted to the legal voters in such city, for their approval, at the election for city officers, that shall be holden next after such action of the city council; the warrants for the ward meetings shall contain an article for that purpose; if a majority of the votes given on the question of the approval of such change or alteration, shall be in favor thereof, the same shall take effect, and not otherwise.

Wards in cities change or alteration in the limits of, how to be made.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed. This act shall take effect on its approval by the governor.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

[Approved January 9, 1861.]

Chapter 2.

An act providing for an additional session of the county commissioners of the county of Lincoln.

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

SECT. 1. In the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two and annually thereafter, there shall be a session of the county commissioners

Annual sessions of county commissioners,

CHAP. 3.

Lincoln county, at Wiscasset, commencing on the second Tuesday of January, 1862. —in 1861, on the first Tuesday of February. Inconsistent acts repealed.

of the county of Lincoln to be holden at Wiscasset on the second Tuesday of January. And in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, a session of said commissioners shall be holden at Wiscasset on the first Tuesday of February; which sessions shall be additional to those already established by law.

SECT. 2. The act fixing sessions of the said commissioners at Rockland and all other acts so far as they are inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed; and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved January 30, 1861.]

Chapter 3.

An act amending chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes respecting railroads.

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

Ch. 51, sec. 6, R. S., amended.

Damages for lands taken by railroads, &c., relating to.

The sixth section of the fifty-first chapter of the revised statutes is hereby so amended that the eighth, ninth, tenth, twelfth and thirteenth sections of the eighteenth chapter of the revised statutes, are made applicable to damages for lands taken for railroads, and all the proceedings therein provided for increase of damages shall be applicable to a petition for an increase or diminution of damages for lands taken for railroads.

[Approved February 1, 1861.]

Chapter 4.

An act for the punishment of those guilty of offences against chastity.

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

Chastity, offences against, how punished.

SECT. 1. Whoever fraudulently and deceitfully entices or takes away an unmarried female from her father's house, or wherever else she may be found, for the purpose of prostitution, at a house of ill fame, assignation or elsewhere, and whoever aids and assists in such abduction or secretes such female for such purpose, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison not less than one year nor more than ten years.

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

[Approved February 1, 1861.]