

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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Chapter 177.

CHAP. 177.

An act to incorporate the Woolwich Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

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

SECT. 1. Isaac Thwing, C. W. Carter, Andrew Bailey, and their associates, and all others who may become members of said company, are hereby incorporated, and made a body politic, by the name of the Woolwich Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for the purpose of insuring within the town of Woolwich only, dwelling houses, stores, barns and other buildings, household furniture, merchandise and other personal property, against loss or damage by fire, whether the same happen by accident, lightning, or by any other means, excepting that of design in the insured, and may purchase and hold, such real and personal estate, as may be necessary to effect the object of their association, and the same may sell and convey at pleasure.

Corporators.

Corporate name.

May hold real and personal estate.

SECT. 2. The first meeting may be called by any three persons named in this act, by posting up in four public places in said Woolwich, notice of the time and place, at least ten days before said meeting, at which the members present may elect all necessary officers, fix their compensation, make and establish by-laws and do any corporate business not repugnant to the general laws of this state, relating to such companies.

First meeting, how called.

Officers.
By-laws.

SECT. 3. The directors of said company at their annual meeting in each year, shall make a full report of the condition of the company, giving a detailed account of their expenses, the amount of property actually insured at that time, and the amount of all debts due to and from the company ; but shall not be required to publish the same in any newspaper, as is required in section thirty-two, of chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes.

Directors to make report.

SECT. 4. No policy shall be issued by said company, until applications for insurance shall have been made to the amount of twenty thousand dollars.

Policies, when to issue.

[Approved March 13, 1862.]

Chapter 178.

An act additional to "an act to incorporate the city of Belfast."

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

SECT. 1. The city council of the city of Belfast, are hereby authorized and empowered, to make or ordain, from time to time,

Authorized to make by-laws.

CHAP. 178.

—may affix penalties.
—how recovered.

Shall elect a harbor master.
—his duty.

—in case of sickness may appoint a deputy.

Authorized to regulate the anchoring, &c., of vessels.

—expense, how paid, &c.
Obstructing harbor master in his duties.
Penalty, how recovered.

Fees of harbor master.

—how established.
Proviso.

Master refusing to pay fee.

Penalty.

Jurisdiction.

such by-laws, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state, as they may deem expedient or necessary, for the location and regulation of vessels, boats, steamers, and other crafts in that part of the harbor of Belfast, northwesterly of a line extending across said harbor, from White's ship yard to Minister's Point, and to affix penalties for the breach of such by-laws, not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence, to be recovered upon complaint by the harbor master hereinafter named, before the police court of said city.

SECT. 2. The city council shall annually at their election of city officers in March, elect a harbor master, for said city, whose duty it shall be to enforce the observance of the ordinances of the city, relating to the harbor and the laws of the state applicable thereto, and to prosecute all violations of such laws and ordinances. And such harbor master in case of his sickness or disability, may appoint a deputy, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen of said city, to perform his duties during such sickness or disability.

SECT. 3 The harbor master shall have authority to regulate the anchoring or location of all vessels in conformity with the ordinances of the city, and cause the same to be removed when necessary, in obedience to his orders, at the expense of the masters or owners thereof, and the amount of such expense if not paid by such masters, or owners, may be recovered in an action for money paid; and any person who shall obstruct the harbor master in the performance of his duties, or shall neglect or refuse to obey any lawful order by him made, shall be liable to a penalty, not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence, to be recovered upon complaint before the police court of said city.

SECT. 4. The harbor master shall be entitled to demand and receive, from the masters and owners of any vessel exceeding the burthen of fifty tons, which shall arrive at the harbor of Belfast, provided he is called on for any services in his official capacity, such a fee as may be established by the city council, not exceeding one dollar. *Provided however*, that no masters or owners of any such vessel, shall be liable to pay such fee for their vessel more than once during said year. And any master or owners neglecting or refusing to pay such fee on demand therefor, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars, to be recovered as stated in the third section of this act.

SECT. 5. In all complaints for the breach of any city ordinance, by-law or regulation, the court before whom such complaint shall be made, shall have the same jurisdiction over the said complaints and offences, as they now have over complaints for criminal offences against the state, and shall be authorized in the name of the state to issue their mittimus upon the non-payment of the fine and costs, in the same manner as they now can, in all cases of criminal

prosecutions in behalf of the state, when the penalty does not exceed fifty dollars.

CHAP. 179.

[Approved March 13, 1862.]

Chapter 179.

An act in addition to "an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariner's Bank of Wiscasset."

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

SECT. 1. The time stated in the second section of chapter two hundred and seven of the private and special laws for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, to which this act is additional, shall be extended to the seventeenth day of March eighteen hundred and sixty-three, for the purposes therein named, and for no other.

Sect. 2, act of March 17, 1858, provisions of, extended.

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

[Approved March 14, 1862.]

Chapter 180.

An act to authorize the trustees of the insane hospital to build a wharf in Kennebec river.

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

The trustees of the Maine Insane hospital, are hereby authorized to erect a wharf in the Kennebec river in front of land belonging to said hospital, extending into the river not exceeding seventy-five feet from high water mark.

Authorized to erect wharf.

[Approved March 14, 1862.]

Chapter 181.

An act to set off Ephraim M. Frost and his estate from Ripley to St. Albans.

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

Ephraim M. Frost of Ripley, in the county of Somerset, with his estate, is hereby set off from said Ripley and annexed to St. Albans.

Certain estate set off, &c.

[Approved March 15, 1862.]