

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1863.

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exercise the statute jurisdiction. He shall require the teachers to keep a record of such facts connected with their schools as are required by law of teachers of other schools, and such other facts as he may deem necessary, and return the same to him at such times as he may require; and in the month of October annually, he shall make full returns of all his doings and of the condition and progress of the several schools under his supervision to the state superintendent of schools.

SECT. 7. The agent shall draw from the state treasury, irrespective of the payment of any state tax, the amount of money due the several townships for school purposes, including the interest on the surplus revenue fund, after the apportionment in July, and shall render to the governor and council in December annually a full account of the same to be audited and approved by them; and before said agent shall be authorized to receive any money from the treasury, he shall execute a bond to the state to the satisfaction of the governor and council conditioned for the faithful expenditure of all funds received by him.

SECT. 8. Such agent shall receive a compensation for his services and expenses in such sum as the governor and council shall approve, to be paid from the treasury on the governor's warrant.

SECT. 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed; and this act shall take effect on approval by the governor.

Agent shall draw from state treasury money due.

—to render account to governor and council.

—to give bond.

—compensation, how determined.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Approved March 9, 1863.

Chapter 252.

An act additional to "an act to incorporate the Westbrook Seminary."

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

SECT. 1. The trustees of Westbrook Seminary may prescribe a course of study for young ladies equivalent to that of any female college in New England, and may with the concurrence of the board of instructors, confer upon all who shall satisfactorily complete such course, the collegiate honors and degrees that are generally granted by female colleges.

Trustees may prescribe course of studies for young ladies. —may confer collegiate honors.

SECT. 2. The said trustees may at their next annual meeting designate by lot five of their number to continue in office one year, four to continue three years, and four to continue five years. At the expiration of the term of each division and once in two years thereafter, trustees shall be chosen to fill the places of those retiring, who shall hold office for six years. Elections to fill vacancies

Trustees, designation and election of.

CHAP. 253. occasioned by death or resignation, shall only be for the remainder of the term of the class in which the vacancy may exist.

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

Approved March 11, 1863.

Chapter 253.

An act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson upon the county of Penobscot.

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

Miles Wilson,
claim of,
referred to
commissioners.

SECT. 1. Hollis Bowman, Henry Richardson, Jacob W. Stinchfield, are hereby constituted commissioners to whom is referred the claim of Miles Wilson upon the county of Penobscot for compensation growing out of a contract with the county commissioners of said county through their agent, to make a road in the town of Howland, entered into in the year eighteen hundred and sixty, which road it is alleged was not legally laid out by the county commissioners of said county; and it is further alleged that by reason of the county commissioners having proceeded illegally in laying out said road they had no legal authority to enter into said contract on behalf of said county, and that the said Miles Wilson has incurred large expenditures in the matter, for which he has no legal remedy.

Commissioners,
duties of.

SECT. 2. The commissioners hereby appointed shall upon a full hearing take into consideration all the circumstances of the case, and decide upon principles of justice, without regard to the strict legality of the claim, and award such sum, if any, as in their best discretion and judgment should be paid to said Miles Wilson. Their report shall be made to the county commissioners of Penobscot county, who are hereby authorized to order the same, with interest from the date of the report of the commissioners hereby appointed, to be paid from the treasury of said county, whenever a road shall have been legally laid out and accepted by the town of Howland, and opened and made so as suitably to accommodate the public travel, to the acceptance of the county commissioners, over the same line worked upon by the said Wilson, and extending through the town of Howland from Lagrange to the mouth of Piscataquis river; and the said road as so laid out by the said town of Howland shall not be discontinued, except by order of the county commissioners of said county.

—shall report
to county
commissioners.

County com-
missioners
authorized to
pay counsel out
of county
treasury.

Vacancy in
board of
commissioners.

SECT. 3. In case of the declination of one of the commissioners hereby appointed, or absence from any cause, the other two com-