

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1864.

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CHAP. 227. of the United States, under or by authority of any act of congress when such person has neither been mustered into said service nor furnished a substitute. But all such votes and all contracts for such purpose by any city, town or plantation, or by any officer or other person in behalf thereof are hereby declared absolutely void.

—to be void.

SECT. 13. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor.

Approved February 20, 1864.

Chapter 227.

An act providing bounties for soldiers.

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

Bounties, to whom paid.

SECT. 1. There shall be paid from the treasury of the state to each person, who shall enlist and be mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of this state, a bounty of three hundred dollars subject to the following limitations :

First—This bounty shall not be paid for enlistments from any town beyond the quota required of such town to meet the call of February first, eighteen hundred sixty-four, unless that town shall have previously filled the quota assigned to it under the call of October seventeenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-three; and no person residing in this state, enlisting since February second, eighteen hundred sixty-four, shall be credited to any city, town or plantation other than that in which he has his residence, until the October and February quotas of his town are filled. And any city, town or plantation having furnished its proportion of men under the said calls of October and February may continue to enlist men from any source open to it under this limitation, who shall be credited to it for its benefit under any call that may hereafter be made.

Second—This act shall not apply to enlistments for coast and frontier defence, unless persons enlisting in that branch of the service shall be ordered for duty beyond the limits of the state, in which case they shall be paid two hundred dollars, in addition to the bounty now established by law.

SECT. 2. Soldiers already in the service, and reënlisting, shall be paid such bounty under the same regulations and conditions, as those enlisting for the first time.

SECT. 3. No person shall be entitled to receive from this state, or any town in it, any sum in addition to the bounty provided for in this act.

SECT. 4. Any sum paid as bounty from any source, except from the United States, to any such soldier, shall be deducted from the amount to be paid from the state treasury.

SECT. 5. Cities, towns and plantations are hereby authorized to raise a sum of money not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each man of its proportion of troops required by any call by the president, to be used in paying recruiting agents, and other expenses of enlistment, which shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as other moneys raised for necessary municipal purposes.

Cities, &c., authorized to raise money.

SECT. 6. Any city, town or plantation is hereby authorized to make temporary provision for, and pay to its recruits, such bounty, under the aforesaid conditions, which shall be reimbursed to it from the state treasury, but payment of a greater sum than three hundred dollars per man, shall operate as a forfeiture of the right to reimbursement, in the case of each person so overpaid.

—may make temporary provision, &c.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect on its approval by the governor.

Approved February 20, 1864.

Chapter 228.

An act to amend section nineteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, for the better protection of travellers upon public ways contiguous to railroads and at railroad crossings.

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

SECT. 1. Chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of the nineteenth section after the word "way" in the fifth line and inserting the words, *and whenever an engine, with or without a train, approaching a crossing of any way on the same level, runs contiguous to, or crosses over any such way, the steam whistle shall be sounded at the distance of at least one hundred rods from the place of crossing on, running beside of, or over, every such way.*

Chap. 51, sec. 19, R. S., amended.

Steam whistle to be sounded.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its approval by the governor.

Approved February 24, 1864.