

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

FORTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS
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Chapter 60.

An act concerning specie payments.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter seventy-one of the laws of eighteen hundred sixty-two, entitled "an act to suspend certain provisions in chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes, concerning banks," is hereby further continued in force until the fifteenth day of February, eighteen hundred sixty-eight; *provided* said banking corporations shall, upon demand, pay or tender payment of their bills, checks or drafts, in lawful money of the United States.

Laws of 1862,
chapter 72,
continued in
force.

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

Approved January 11, 1867.

Chapter 61.

An act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, proposed to the legislatures of the several states, by a resolution adopted at the first session of the thirty-ninth congress, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

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

WHEREAS, at the first session of the thirty-ninth Congress of the United States of America, held at Washington, in the District of

Preamble.

CHAP. 61. Columbia, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, it was resolved as follows, viz :

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of both houses concurring,) that the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of said legislatures, shall be valid as a part of the constitution, namely :

ARTICLE XIV.

Amendment
proposed.

SECT. 1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States ; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

SECT. 2. Representatives shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for president and vice president of the United States, representatives in congress, the executive and judicial officers of a state, or the members of the legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, being twenty-one years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such state.

SECT. 3. No person shall be a senator or representative in congress, or elector of president and vice president, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any state, who, having previously taken an oath, as a member of congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any state legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any state, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each house, remove such disability.

SECT. 4. The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounties for services in suppressing insurrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States

nor any state shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave ; but all such debts, obligations and claims shall be held illegal and void.

SECT. 5. The congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

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

SECT. 1. That the said proposed amendment be and the same is hereby ratified on behalf of the State of Maine.

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

Approved January 19, 1867.

Chapter 62.

An act to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Sagadahoc.

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

SECT. 1. From and after the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Sagadahoc, shall be four hundred dollars per year, instead of the sum now allowed by law.

Salary of
probate judge
in Sagadahoc
established at
\$400.

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

Approved January 23, 1867.

Chapter 63.

An act to establish the salary of the register of probate for the county of Penobscot.

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

SECT. 1. The salary of the register of probate for the county of Penobscot shall be one thousand dollars instead of the salary now established by law, commencing on the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, payable quarterly.

Salary of
register of
probate in
Penobscot co.
established at
\$1,000.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved by the governor.

Approved January 25, 1867.