

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

FORTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1867.

Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820,
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Chapter 153.

Resolves relating to reconstruction.

Resolved, That the permanent peace of the nation can be secured only by a firm adherence to the self-evident truth that all men are created equal.

Resolved, That political power being an inherent right of the citizen, impartial suffrage should be the uniform rule of all the states of the Union, either by the authority already possessed by congress, or by the necessary amendment of the constitution of the United States.

Resolved, That the present state governments of the recently rebel states of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Florida, Texas and Arkansas, were established outside of the legal authority of the nation, and without the sanction of the people whom they assume to represent, and that it is the duty of congress to annul them and adopt the necessary steps for instituting loyal state governments, which shall afford liberty and protection to all the people over whom they exercise authority.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolves be forwarded by the governor to the president of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives of congress, to be laid before congress.

Approved February 27, 1867.

Chapter 154.

Resolve in favor of the state reform school.

Resolved, That the sums of one thousand one hundred and three dollars and fifteen cents, for deficiencies ; also, two thousand dollars, for improvements and repairs ; also, fifteen thousand and two hundred dollars ; making eighteen thousand three hundred and three dollars and fifteen cents, be and hereby is appropriated, for the benefit of the state reform school for the fiscal year ending April first in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

State reform school, in favor of.

Approved February 27, 1867.

Chapter 155.

Resolve in favor of Henry Freethy.

Resolved, That there be paid out of the treasury, to Henry Freethy, the sum of six hundred and twenty-five dollars, being for loss

H. Freethy, in favor of.

CHAP. 156. of cattle by malignant disease, in the year eighteen hundred sixty-five; and that the governor be authorized to draw his warrant on the treasurer for the same.

Approved February 28, 1867.

Chapter 156.

Resolve in favor of Elizabeth Foster of Littleton.

Elizabeth Foster, in favor of.

Resolved, That there be paid from the treasury of the state, to Elizabeth Foster of Littleton, in the county of Aroostook, the sum of eight dollars per month as a state pension, for the period of one year, dating from the time of the approval of this resolve.

Approved February 28, 1867.

Chapter 157.

Resolve in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary.

East Maine Conference Seminary, in favor of.

Resolved, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated out of the state treasury, for the use and benefit of the East Maine Conference Seminary, the money to be retained in the treasury and the interest to be paid semi-annually till the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six; and if at that time the seminary shall be in successful operation, the said sum of ten thousand dollars shall be paid to the trustees of said institution for the use and benefit thereof, and they shall safely invest the same, the interest only to be expended annually.

Approved February 28, 1867.

Chapter 158.

Resolve providing for a hydrographic survey of the rivers of this state.

Commissioners to make hydrographic, to be appointed by governor. Duties of.

Resolved, That the governor with the advice of the council is hereby authorized to appoint three commissioners to have charge of a hydrographic survey of the state. Said commissioners shall have authority to employ competent engineers to make a thorough hydrographic survey of such of our rivers as they shall deem most advisable, and make a report to the governor and council of the fall and volume of water of said rivers, the supply and constancy of the water, their lake reservoirs and their accessibility, and such