

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

## FORTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS

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## CHAP. 218.

## Chapter 218.

An act explanatory of chapter thirty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, entitled an act for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops, and of chapter one hundred and thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, additional to and amendatory of the same.

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

Sale of cider, and domestic wine manufactured for medicinal and sacramental purposes, allowed.

SECT. 1. Chapter thirty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, entitled an act for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops, and chapter one hundred and thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled an act additional to and amendatory of the same, shall not be construed to prohibit the sale of unadulterated cider in any case, nor shall said acts be construed to prohibit the sale of domestic wines manufactured from fruits, the product of this state, for medicinal and sacramental purposes.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 6, 1868.

## Chapter 219.

An act to repeal the twenty-second section of chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes.

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

R. S., chap. 24, sect. 22, repealed.

SECT. 1. Section twenty-two of chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes is hereby repealed, and the following section is hereby substituted :

Relief of paupers in unincorporated places.

‘SECT. 22. Persons living in places not incorporated, and needing relief, are under the care of the overseers of the oldest incorporated adjoining town, or the nearest incorporated town when there are none adjoining, who shall furnish relief to such persons in the same manner as though they were found in such town ; and such overseers may bind to service the children of such persons, as they may those of paupers of their own town, and may bind out persons described in section twenty in the manner therein provided, residing in such unincorporated place, as if in their own town, such person being entitled to a like remedy and relief. When relief is provided for paupers residing in such places, the towns furnishing it are entitled to the same remedies against the towns where they have a settlement as if such persons resided in the town where the relief is afforded, and if such paupers have no legal settlement in any town in this state, then the state shall reimburse to the town affording relief the amount paid out and

'expended, or such portion thereof as the governor and council  
'may adjudge to have been judiciously expended.'

CHAP. 220.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 7, 1868.

### Chapter 220.

An act providing for the appointment of a bank and insurance examiner, and defining his duties.

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

SECT. 1. Instead of two bank commissioners, as now provided by law, there shall be appointed an examiner of banks and insurance companies, who, during his continuance in office, shall not hold any office in any bank or insurance company in the state, and who shall have all the powers and be subject to all the duties of said bank commissioners. He shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, and shall hold his office for three years, subject to removal at any time, by the appointing power. He shall be paid his actual travelling expenses, and four dollars per day for every day employed in his official duties, not, however, in the whole to exceed six hundred dollars in any year; and the governor and council shall audit his account, and draw their warrant on the treasurer for the amount found due.

Examiner of banks and insurance companies, appointment and duties.

Compensation.

SECT. 2. Said examiner, in addition to his said powers of the bank commissioners as aforesaid, shall make an annual examination of each insurance company in the state, and shall also make an additional examination of any company, at such time as the governor and council may direct, or whenever requested in writing by five or more persons, each of whom shall be a stockholder or creditor, or otherwise pecuniarily interested therein. Said examiner shall at all times have free access to the books and papers of every such insurance company, and shall thoroughly inspect and examine all its affairs, and make all necessary inquiries he may deem necessary to ascertain its condition and ability to fulfil its engagements, and whether it has complied with all the provisions of law applicable to its transactions.

Annual examination of insurance companies required. Special examinations.

SECT. 3. He may at any time require the agents of any insurance company located out of the state to exhibit the books kept by them relating to such agencies, and to make answer in writing or otherwise, and under oath, to all reasonable questions proposed by said examiner, in order to elicit a full statement of the business done for the company represented by such agent; and any agent refusing or neglecting to answer within a reasonable time such interrogatories, shall be prohibited from any longer acting as an

Agents of foreign insurance companies required to exhibit their books to such examiner, and penalty for refusing.