

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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CHAP. 608. notice in writing to the other corporators, five days prior to the meeting, stating the time, place and object thereof.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 15, 1871.

Chapter 608.

An act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn.

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

SECT. 1. Section sixteenth of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Auburn," approved February twelfth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows :

Power of city council to lay out streets, defined.

'Sect. 16. The city council shall have the same power and authority to lay out, widen, alter, establish and discontinue town ways and streets in said city, and be subject to the same rules and restrictions relating thereto, that the selectmen and the inhabitants now have and are subject to by the existing laws of this state ; and shall also have power and authority to establish the grade of any way, county road, or street in said city ; and any persons aggrieved by the decision of the city council in laying out, widening or altering any way or street, or in establishing the grade of any way, county road or street, may, so far as relates to damages, have them assessed by a committee or jury, as is now by law provided, respecting the laying out and altering of highways.'

Persons aggrieved by decision of city council in laying out or altering streets, may have damages assessed by committee or jury.

SECT. 2. Section first of an act entitled "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the city of Auburn,'" approved March five, eighteen hundred and sixty nine, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Police court established in and for the city of Auburn. Judge, jurisdiction of.

'Sect. 1. A police court shall be and is hereby established in and for the city of Auburn, to be called the police court of Auburn, to consist of one judge, who shall be appointed and commissioned in the manner provided by the constitution, who shall have concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices in all matters, civil and criminal, not over twenty dollars, within the county of Androscoggin, and shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction in all civil actions not over twenty dollars, in which both parties interested, or in which the party plaintiff and the person or persons summoned as trustees shall be inhabitants of or residents in said city of Auburn, excepting all actions in which said judge may be interested ; and said court shall have concurrent jurisdiction with trial justices in all cases of forcible entry and detainer,

arising in said county, and exclusive jurisdiction in all such cases arising in said city; and shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction in all cases of violation of the by-laws and ordinances of said city; and also exclusive jurisdiction for the trial of all criminal offences committed in said city cognizable by a trial justice; and shall have authority to act and do anything as a magistrate which a trial justice is authorized by law as a magistrate to do; and any person aggrieved by any judgment awarded by said court, may appeal therefrom in like manner as if the same had been awarded by a trial justice, justice of the peace, or justice of the peace and quorum.'

CHAP. 609.

Appeals.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 15, 1871.

Chapter 609.

An act to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss.

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

SECT. 1. The acts of the assessors of the town of Prentiss, in the county of Penobscot, for the years eighteen hundred and sixty-four and eighteen hundred and sixty-six, in assessing and committing all sums of money raised by and apportioned to said town for said years, are hereby declared and made valid and sufficient in law, notwithstanding any errors or omissions of said assessors in committing said taxes for collection, and notwithstanding the town officers of said town were not sworn by the proper officer, and notwithstanding any informalities in raising the taxes of said town for said years.

Acts of assessors of Prentiss for 1864 and 1866, in assessing all sums of money raised, made valid.

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

Approved February 15, 1871.

Chapter 610.

An act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association.

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

SECT. 1. B. W. Blanchard, John B. Trask, N. E. Muzzy, A. H. Lindsey, Zadoc Bishop, C. M. Homes, Bemis Lamb, James Butterfield, B. H. Burr, Asa Jones, Silas B. Cole, W. L. Scribner, O. N. Bradbury, their associates, successors and assigns, are

Corporators.