

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. 27.

Proceedings when there is no appeal and the assessment is not paid.

SECT. 4. In case the sums so assessed by said city council upon such lots or parcels of land shall not be paid to the city treasurer within six months after such assessment and no appeal is claimed, the mayor of said city, under the order of the city council, may issue his warrant directed to the city treasurer of said city, reciting substantially the proceedings had, and direct said treasurer to sell all such lots the assessment upon which has not been paid as aforesaid at public auction to the highest bidder, or so much of each of such lot or parcel as may be necessary to pay said assessment and all intervening charges and costs, first giving public notice of the time and place of sale by posting notices thereof in two public places in said city and publishing the same three weeks successively before said sale, in some newspaper published in said city. And it shall be the duty of said treasurer to obey said warrant and to execute and deliver to the purchaser of such lot or parcel or any part thereof, a deed of the same which shall convey a good and valid title of the same to the purchaser; and the owner or proprietor aforesaid may redeem the same at any time within two years after such sale, by paying or tendering to the purchaser or depositing with the city treasurer of said city the amount paid by such purchaser, with interest at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum: And a lien shall be created and in force and exist upon each of said lots and parcels for the payment of said assessment and all costs and charges after said assessment is made and until the same is paid.

Recovery of assessment by action.

SECT. 5. In all cases after said assessment is due and payable, said city treasurer for said city, may recover the same, and all charges and costs of the owner or proprietor in an action of assumpsit for money due and owing said city in addition to the mode pointed out in the foregoing provisions of this act for collecting said assessment.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 23, 1872.

Chapter 27.

An act creating a lien on animals to secure payment for pasturing, feeding and sheltering.

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

Lien on animals to secure payment for pasturage, food and shelter.

SECT. 1. Any person who pastures, feeds or shelters animals by virtue of a contract with, or by consent of the owner, shall have a lien thereon for the amount due for such pasturing, feeding or sheltering, to secure payment thereof with costs, to be enforced

by attachment in courts of competent jurisdiction, in the same manner as lien on goods and personal baggage by innholders or keepers of boarding-houses.

CHAP. 28.

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

Approved February 23, 1872.

Chapter 28.

An act concerning railroads.

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

Any stockholder, or representative of any stockholder, in any railroad company shall have power to call for a stock vote of such company at any meeting of the stockholders of such company, on any question that may be legally before such meeting, anything in the charter or by-laws of such company to the contrary notwithstanding.

Any stockholder in a railroad company meeting may call for a stock vote.

Approved February 23, 1872.

Chapter 29.

An act to amend section five of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the equity jurisdiction of the supreme judicial court.

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

The ninth specification of section five, chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "or" in the first line thereof, and by inserting after the word "districts" in the first line of said specification the words 'village corporations or other public corporations by whatever name,' and by inserting after the word "taxation" in the third line thereof the words 'or exempt property from taxation,' so that said specification as amended shall read as follows :

R. S., chap. 77, sect. 5 relating to the equity jurisdiction of supreme judicial court, amended.

'Ninth—When counties, cities, towns, school districts, village corporations, or other public corporations by whatever name, for a purpose not authorized by law, vote to pledge their credit or to raise money by taxation or exempt property from taxation, or to pay money from their treasury, or for such purpose any of their officers or agents attempt to pay out such money, the court shall have equity jurisdiction on application of not less than ten taxable inhabitants therein.'

As amended.

Approved February 23, 1872.