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TOWN MEETINGS .- RECOGNIZANCES AND TESTIMONY.

CHAP. 136. court of competent jurisdiction; and all penalties recovered shall be for the use of the county where the offence is committed.

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

Approved February 26, 1873.

### Chapter 136.

An act to amend section eight of chapter four of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings.

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

Section eight of chapter four of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by adding to said section the following words, 'and on the day of election they shall be in session and proceed as is provided in section nine,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'SECT. 8. In every town containing more than five hundred and less than one thousand voters, the selectmen shall be in open session on one or more secular days next preceding such election, for the purpose aforesaid, and on the day of election they shall be in session and proceed as is provided in section nine.'

Approved February 26, 1873.

### Chapter 137.

#### An ast relating to recognizances and testimony.

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

SECT. 1. The supreme judicial court in session in each county shall appoint from the number of justices of the peace for that county, one or more commissioners whose duties and powers shall be as prescribed in the following section, and who shall hold office at the pleasure of the court.

SECT. 2. When a person is confined in a jail for a bailable offence or for not finding sureties on a recognizance, any commissioner appointed under this act on application may inquire into the case and admit any such person to bail, and exercise the same power as any justice of the supreme judicial court can, and may issue a writ of habeas corpus and cause such person to be brought before them for this purpose, and may take such recognizance.

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Commissioners, appointment of.

-may admit party to bail.

—may issue writ of habeas corpus.

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Selectmen of towns of more than 500 and less than 1,000 voters, to be in open session not less than one day.

Amendment.