

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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CHAP. 157.

Guardians to minors, appointment of.

—when interested, not to be appointed.

—how appointed, when judge is interested.

‘SECT. 1. The judge of probate may appoint guardians to minors residing in his county, or out of the state and having estate in his county; but no executor or administrator on an estate shall be guardian to a minor interested; but when any judge is interested, either in his own right, in trust, or in any other manner, or is within the sixth degree of kindred, such appointment shall be made by a judge in an adjoining county, and the record of said appointment shall show why so made.’

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

Approved February 6, 1874.

Chapter 157.

An act amendatory of chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to river fisheries.

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

Section two of chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, is hereby amended by adding after the word “tributaries,” in said section, the words ‘or the Saint Croix river, below the breakwater, at the ledge in said Saint Croix river,’ so that the section as amended shall read as follows:

‘SECT. 2. Section thirty-three of chapter forty of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, shall not apply to the Kennebec, Androscoggin, or Penobscot rivers or their tributaries, or to the Saint Croix river, below the breakwater, at the ledge in said Saint Croix river.’

Approved February 10, 1874.

Sec. 2, ch. 196, laws '71, amendment of.

Weekly closetime not to apply to certain rivers.

Chapter 158.

An act additional to chapter one hundred and five of the revised statutes, relating to gambling in railroad cars.

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

SECT. 1. Whoever within the State of Maine, upon any railroad train or in any railroad car, or upon any steamboat, gambles, or bets upon any person gambling, shall be punished by fine not less than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not less than three months, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Gambling on railroads, prohibited.

SECT. 2. Every conductor or any other person having charge of any railroad train, is hereby authorized and required to arrest or cause to be arrested any person or persons gambling on his train, and retain them in his custody till a warrant can be procured from the proper authorities, and is hereby empowered to call upon and employ all necessary aids to make such arrests and detain the accused.

CHAP. 159.

Gambling on railroads, parties to be arrested.

SECT. 3. A copy of this act shall be conspicuously posted in every saloon and palace car used on any railroad in this state, and in every steamboat doing any business in this state.

Copy of this act to be posted in cars and on steamboats.

SECT. 4. Any railroad company, steamboat company or the proprietors of any steamboat, refusing or neglecting to comply with the provisions of section three of this act, shall forfeit for each offense the sum of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment in any county in which said railroad company runs trains or the steamboat does business.

Penalty for violation.

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

Approved February 10, 1874.

Chapter 159.

An act to amend section one of chapter seventeen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to the appointment of deputy town clerks.

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

SECT. 1. Section one of chapter seventeen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, is hereby amended by adding thereto, after the word "clerk," in the fourth line, the following words: 'And in case of the absence, death, resignation or removal from office of the clerk without having made such appointment, the municipal officers of any city, town or plantation, may appoint a person, who is a citizen as aforesaid, to fill said office, who may perform all the duties of the clerk during his absence, and in case of the clerk's death, resignation or removal from office, till a clerk shall be elected.' Also by striking out all after the word "follows," in the fifth line, and substituting the words: 'I, or we, hereby appoint ——— to perform the duties of town clerk, in the town of ——— during the clerk's absence from his office, or till a clerk shall be elected. ———, clerk, or municipal officers, of the town of ———. Said deputy or person appointed by the municipal officers, shall be sworn to faithfully perform the duties of his office before he enters thereon.' So that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Sec. 1, ch. 17, public laws 1872, amendment of.