

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

FIFTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1875.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1875.

Chapter 35.**CHAP. 35.**

An act relating to directors of railroads.

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

SECT. 1. Whenever any city or town in this state shall, in its corporate capacity, hold one-fifth, or more, of the shares in the capital stock of any railroad incorporated by the legislature of this state, any citizen of such city or town, being a freeholder and resident therein, shall be eligible as a director of such railroad company.

Railroads owned in part by towns, eligibility of certain persons as directors.

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

Approved February 23, 1875.

Chapter 36.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-four, section twenty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to cruelty to animals.

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

SECT. 1. Any officer or agent of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals may lawfully interfere to prevent the perpetration of any act of cruelty upon any animal in his presence, and any person who shall interfere with or obstruct any such officer or agent in the discharge of his duty, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Animals, cruelty to, to prevent.

SECT. 2. Any officer or agent of said society may lawfully destroy, or cause to be destroyed, any animal found abandoned and not properly cared for, appearing, in the judgment of two reputable persons called by him to view the same in his presence, to be glandered, injured or diseased past recovery for any useful purpose.

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SECT. 3. When any person arrested is, at the time of such arrest, in charge of any vehicle drawn by or containing any animal, said officer or agent of said society may take charge of such animal, and of such vehicle and its contents, and deposit the same in a safe place of custody, or deliver the same into the possession of the police or sheriff of the county or place wherein such arrest was made, who shall thereupon assume the custody thereof.

—in charge of persons arrested, how cared for.

SECT. 4. Upon complaint, under oath or affirmation, to any magistrate authorized to issue warrants in criminal cases, that the complainant has just and reasonable cause to suspect that any of

Violation of this act, proceedings in case of.