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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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CHAP. 147.

Compensation of
committee.

—how collected.

appellate court, which may allow costs in such cases to the prevailing party, to be paid out of the county treasury. The compensation of the committee to be the same as commissioners would have for like services, to be allowed by the court. The costs allowed the prevailing party and the fees of the committee, are to be collected as provided in section three.

Approved February 23, 1876.

Chapter 147.

An act relating to Tramps and Vagrants.

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

Public tramps or
beggars, punish-
ment of.

SECT. 1. If any person shall be a public vagrant, tramp or beggar, or shall go about from place to place asking or subsisting upon charity, or without any means of support, he shall upon conviction before any municipal or police court or trial justice, be sentenced to imprisonment and labor for a term not exceeding thirty days in any county jail, work-house, house of correction, or at any town farm or alms-house in the town in which the offense was committed.

—refusing to
leave a dwelling
house on request,
penalty for.

SECT. 2. If any such person shall, without permission or request of the occupants, enter any dwelling house, or shall remain therein to the terror or fright of any of the occupants thereof, or having entered shall refuse or neglect, on request, to depart, he shall in addition to the penalty prescribed in the first section of this act, pay a fine of not exceeding ten dollars, and in default of payment be imprisoned as therein provided an additional thirty days.

—required to
labor.

SECT. 3. The keeper of the jail, work-house, house of correction, or in case of a sentence to any town farm or alms-house, the overseers of the poor of such town, or the keeper or agent of such town farm or alms-house, are hereby authorized to require such person to labor at any lawful work within the limits of the town where such jail, work-house, house of correction, town farm or alms-house is situated, and to appoint any suitable person keeper over him, and to collect and receive the wages, compensation or profits of his labor, and at the expiration of such sentence to pay to such person such reasonable compensation, as in their judgment the profits of his labor will warrant, deducting therefrom, however, costs of proceedings of commitment and any fine imposed under the second section of this act to be applied in payment of the same.

—entitled to pro-
fits of labor, after
deducting ex-
penses.

SECT. 4. Persons liable by law to be committed to work-houses, or houses of correction, shall be committed only upon conviction of the offenses, acts, or conditions for which such commitments are by law authorized, before some municipal or police court, or trial justice.

CHAP. 148.

Persons, how committed.

Approved February 23, 1876.

Chapter 148.

An act to amend chapter one hundred seventy-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred seventy-four, relating to the security of life on steam vessels on inland waters.

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

SECT. 1. Section one is hereby amended by striking out the words "for hire," in the first line, so that the whole section, as amended, shall read as follows, to wit :

Sec. 1, ch. 172, public laws 1874, amended.

'SECT. 1. All steamboats carrying passengers upon any of the inland waters of this state, are hereby made subject to the provisions of this act; before being employed in transportation of passengers they shall be examined and receive the certificate of the inspectors authorizing their employment.'

Steamboats on inland waters subject to provisions of this act. —shall receive certificate of inspectors.

SECT. 2. Section ten is hereby stricken out, and the following words substituted, so that said section shall read as follows :

'SECT. 10. Every person employed as a master, pilot, or engineer on board such vessel, shall be examined by the inspectors as to his qualifications for the office, and if satisfied therewith they shall grant him a license for the office for one year; said license to be framed under glass and posted in some conspicuous place on board such vessel. Any person acting as master, pilot, or engineer without having first received such license, shall, on conviction, pay a fine of fifty dollars for every day he shall so act; and such license shall continue in force for one year, unless revoked by the inspectors for intemperance, incompetency, or a wilful violation of any of the duties of his office. But any master, pilot or engineer holding a license for any such vessel on any line owning or running more than one vessel, may under such license be employed on any vessel owned or run by the person or persons owning or running the vessel for which said officers obtained their license.'

—officers to be licensed.

—penalty for neglect.

Term of license.

Officers licensed may be employed on any vessel owned by same persons.

SECT. 3. Section eleven is hereby amended, by adding at the end of the section the words, as follows, to wit: 'But if any vessel described in this act is deprived of the services of any

Sec. 11, amended.