

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1877.

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SECT. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be CHAP. 345  
 five thousand dollars, which may be increased from time to Capital stock.  
 time by said corporation to the extent of fifty thousand  
 dollars. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of Shares.  
 one hundred dollars each.

SECT. 3. Said corporation shall be located at Ellsworth, Where located.  
 in the county of Hancock.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 3, 1877.

### Chapter 345.

An act additional, relating to the city of Portland, limiting its power to create debt.

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

SECT. 1. Neither the inhabitants of the city of Portland, Power of city of  
Portland, to  
create debt,  
limited.  
 nor the city council, nor any officer or officers thereof, shall  
 hereafter create any debt or debts, liability or liabilities, on  
 behalf of said city, which shall, singly, or in the aggregate  
 with other debts and liabilities hereafter or heretofore created  
 in behalf of said city, exceed five per cent. of the valuation  
 of said city for the year in which it is proposed to create said  
 debt or liability, nor shall create such debt or liability, so  
 long as the aggregate debts and liabilities of said city exceed  
 five per cent., as aforesaid, nor shall issue any notes, bonds,  
 or any certificates or evidences of indebtedness, for any such  
 debt or liability; nor shall the credit of said city be directly  
 or indirectly loaned in any case, and no existing statute,  
 whether public or private, shall be construed as vesting any  
 authority to loan such credit, nor to create such debt or lia-  
 bility, or issue such bond, note or other evidence of indebted-  
 ness, nor shall any statute, public or private, hereafter passed,  
 be construed as vesting such authority, unless express refer-  
 ence is made therein to the provisions of this act.

SECT. 2. This act shall not apply to any fund which said Not to apply to  
any fund received  
in trust, or tempo-  
rary loan for  
municipal pur-  
poses.  
 city may receive in trust, nor to any loan for municipal pur-  
 poses, for payment of which, provision is made by assessment  
 of the amount in the municipal tax during the municipal year  
 in which the same is incurred, nor to any loan issued for the

**CHAP. 346** purpose of renewing or paying the principal of existing loans or liabilities.

Jurisdiction of S. J. court.

SECT. 3. The supreme judicial court shall have jurisdiction in equity to prevent violation of this act, on application of any one or more taxable inhabitants of said city.

When to take effect.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect on the fifteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Approved February 6, 1877.

### Chapter 346.

An act to promote the efficiency of the police force of the city of Portland.

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

City marshal, deputy marshals and policemen of Portland, how appointed.

SECT. 1. The city marshal, deputy marshals and policemen, of the city of Portland, shall hereafter be appointed by the mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the aldermen, and shall hold office during good behavior, subject, however, to removal at any time by the mayor, for inefficiency or other cause.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved February 6, 1877.

### Chapter 347.

An act for the protection of fish in certain ponds in the town of Standish.

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

Protection of fish in Otter ponds.

Whoever, without authority, takes fish, in any manner, from the Otter ponds, so called, situate in the town of Standish, in the lands known as the Chadbourne plains, shall be punished, on complaint and proof thereof, by fine not exceeding ten dollars for each offense, and upon default of payment of such fine, shall be imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.

Approved February 6, 1877.