

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES
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OF THE
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Chapter 47.

An act to amend section two of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Statutes, concerning manufacturing, mining and quarrying corporations.

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

Section two of chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out of the fourth line thereof, the words "or treasurer," so that said section as amended, shall read as follows :

Sec. 2, ch. 48,
R. S., amended.

'SECT. 2. These officers are to be chosen annually, and are to continue in office till others are chosen and qualified in their stead. There are not to be less than three directors, one of whom is to be by them elected president. No director can hold such office after he ceases to be a stockholder. The treasurer is to give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum, and with such sureties, as are required. The clerk is to be sworn, and to record all votes of the corporation in a book kept for that purpose.'

Officers, when
chosen.

Treasurer to give
bond.

Clerk to be
sworn.

Approved March 9, 1881.

Chapter 48.

An act to amend section eighteen of chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to Railroad Crossings.

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

SECT. 1. Section eighteen of chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "reasonable" in the eighth line, the following words, 'or that a flagman is necessary for the public safety, at said crossing, they may order one to be stationed there upon said application, instead of gates and,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows :

Sec. 18, ch. 189,
public laws 1874,
amended.

'SECT. 18. When the municipal officers of a town deem it necessary, for public safety, that gates should be erected across a way where it is crossed by a railroad, and that a person should be appointed to open and close them, they may, in writing, request it to be done; and in case of neglect or refusal, they may apply to the county commissioners to

Gates or flagmen
at railroad cross-
ings, providing
for.

Proceedings in
case of neglect or
refusal.

CHAP. 49. decide upon its reasonableness, who, after notice and hearing, are to decide. When they decide that such a request is reasonable, or that a flagman is necessary for the public safety, at said crossing, they may order one to be stationed there upon said application, instead of gates, and the corporation is to comply with it and pay the costs; when they decide otherwise, the costs are to be paid by the applicants.'

Act to apply to pending cases.

SECT. 2. This act shall apply to any application for gates now pending before any board of county commissioners.

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

Approved March 9, 1881.

Chapter 49.

An act to abolish continuance fees in certain Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts of the state.

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

Continuance fees abolished in certain courts.

SECT. 1. All fees for the continuance of causes in the supreme judicial and superior courts of the state in which the clerks are salaried officers, are hereby abolished.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

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

Approved March 9, 1881.

Chapter 50.

An act for the better protection of life in buildings used for public purposes.

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

Inner doors of public buildings to open outward.

SECT. 1. Any church, theatre, hall or other building or structure intended to be used temporarily or permanently for any public purpose, or any school-house or school-room, public or private hereafter constructed, shall have all inner doors intended to be used for egress therefrom open outwards.

Outer doors to be kept open in certain cases.

SECT. 2. All outer doors of buildings or structures of the kind mentioned in section one of this act, constructed or hereafter to be constructed, shall be kept open when such