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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1883.

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## CHAP. 172

Penalty for  
polluting water  
or injury to  
works.

SECT. 6. Whoever shall, in any way wilfully pollute the water of said pond or stream, whether frozen or not, after said company shall have commenced taking the same, and whoever shall wilfully injure any of the works of said company, shall be punished by imprisonment not over two years, or by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and shall be liable to an action for damages.

Capital stock.

SECT. 7. The capital stock of said company shall be the amount fixed by said company at its first meeting, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 27, 1883.

### Chapter 172.

An Act to change the name of Plantation number Eleven, Range One, in Aroostook County.

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

Name changed  
to Cary planta-  
tion.

That from and after the passing of this act, the Plantation heretofore called "Number Eleven, Range One," west from the east line of the state of Maine, in the county of Aroostook shall be called and known by the name of Cary Plantation. But nothing in this act shall be construed to impair any rights of said plantation.

Approved January 27, 1883.

### Chapter 173.

An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate the city of Auburn."

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

School committee  
to consist of  
mayor and ten  
other persons.

SECT. 1. The superintending school committee of the city of Auburn, shall consist of the mayor of said city, who shall be ex-officio chairman, and ten other persons to be elected as hereinafter provided.

SECT. 2. The qualified voters in each ward shall at the annual municipal election next after the passage of this act by a majority of the votes cast, elect two of the residents of said ward as members of the superintending school committee, one of whom shall hold his office for the term of two years, and one for the term of one year, and the members of said committee in each ward so elected shall determine their respective terms of office by lot.

Election and tenure.

SECT. 3. At the annual municipal election in March eighteen hundred and eighty-four and thereafter at each annual election, the qualified voters of each of the said wards in manner aforesaid, shall elect one of the residents of said ward as a member of the superintending school committee to fill the place of the member whose term expires in March of that year, who shall hold office for the term of two years.

SECT. 4. The term of service of said committee shall commence on the third Monday of March in each year.

—when term of office shall commence.

SECT. 5. In case of failure in any ward to elect any member of said superintending school committee at the annual municipal election, or whenever from any cause a vacancy in said committee shall happen, the city council in joint convention shall elect by ballot a resident of the ward where the vacancy exists, to fill the same until the next annual election, when the qualified voters of said ward shall fill such vacancy for the remainder of the term.

—vacancies, how filled.

SECT. 6. The said committee shall have all the powers and perform all the duties in regard to the care and management of the public schools of said city which are now conferred and imposed upon superintending school committees by the laws of this state except as otherwise provided in this act. They shall annually and whenever there is a vacancy elect a superintendent of schools for the current municipal year, who shall have the care and supervision of said public schools under their direction and act as secretary of their board. They shall fix his salary at the time of his election which shall not be increased during the year for which he is elected, except by consent of said city council, and may at any time dismiss him if they deem it proper and expedient. They shall annually as soon after the organization of their board as practicable, furnish to said city council an estimate in detail of the several sums required during the ensuing municipal year for the support of said public schools, and shall not

—powers and duties.

—shall elect, annually, superintendent of schools.

**CHAP. 174** increase the salaries of the superintendent and teachers or any other expenditures beyond the amounts specified therefor in such estimate, except by consent of said city council. No member of the committee shall receive any compensation for his services.

Powers not conferred by this act, vested in city council.

**SECT. 7.** All powers, obligations and duties in regard to said public schools not conferred and imposed upon said committee by the provisions of this act, shall be and are hereby vested in the city council of said city.

When act takes effect.

**SECT. 8.** This act shall take effect when approved by the governor and accepted by the city council of Auburn.

Approved January 27, 1883.

### Chapter 174.

An Act authorizing the city of Augusta to apply a certain bequest from L. W. Lithgow to library purposes, and to incorporate the Lithgow Library and Reading Room.

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

City of Augusta authorized to apply bequest of L. W. Lithgow to library purposes.

**SECT. 1.** The city of Augusta is hereby authorized to appropriate and use all such money and other property, or the proceeds thereof, as shall be received by said city under the residuary clause in the will of the late Llewellyn W. Lithgow in providing accommodations, by a building or otherwise, for the public library and reading room established by aid of the specific legacy of twenty thousand dollars under a prior clause in said will, and in maintaining and enlarging said library.

Corporators.

**SECT. 2.** James W. Bradbury, P. O. Vickery, J. Manchester Haynes, Wm. R. Smith and Herbert M. Heath, the present board of trustees of said library and reading room, and their successors in said trust, are hereby constituted a body corporate under the name of the Lithgow Library and Reading Room, with all the corporate powers given to like corporations by chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one. Said corporation may take and hold by purchase, gift, devise or bequest, personal or real estate, in all not exceeding in value one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, owned at any one time, and use and

Corporate name.

—powers.