# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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charge from said service, and who has or may become dependent upon any town, shall be considered a pauper, or be subject to disfranchisement for that cause; but the time during which said soldier is so dependent shall not be included in the period of residence necessary to change his settlement.

This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 19, 1885.

#### Chapter 270.

An Act for the protection of Lobster Traps.

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

Whoever takes up, or attempts to take up, or in any way Penalty for interknowingly and wilfully interferes with any lobster trap, while set for use, in the season in which it is lawful to prosecute the lobster fishery, without the authority of the owner thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars, to be recovered by indictment or an action of debt, one-half to the complainant and one-half to the county where such proceedings are commenced; pro- Proviso. vided, however, that no action or indictment shall be maintained under this act unless the name of the owner of all such traps shall be carved or branded in legible letters, not less than three-fourths of an inch in length, on all the buoys connected with such traps.

Approved February 24, 1885.

### Chapter 271.

An Act to amend section fifty-four of chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the transportation of trout, togue and land-locked salmon.

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

Section fifty-four of chapter forty of the revised statutes Sec. 54, ch. 40, R. S., amended, is hereby amended so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

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Transportation of more than fifty pounds at a time, how punished. 'Sect. 54. No person shall take, catch, kill, or have in possession, at any one time, for the purpose of transportation, more than fifty pounds of land-locked salmon, trout or togue, in all, nor shall any such be transported except in the possession of the owner thereof, under a penalty of fifty dollars for the offence and five dollars for every pound of land-locked salmon, trout or togue, in all, so taken, caught, killed, in possession, or transportation, in excess of fifty pounds, and all such fish transported in violation of this section may be seized, on complaint, and shall be forfeited to the prosecutor. Whoever has in possession more than fifty pounds in all of such fish, shall be deemed to have taken them in violation of this section.'

Approved February 24, 1885.

### Chapter 272.

An Act in relation to the taking of Alewives by the town of Warren, in Georges Kiver.

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

Sec. 41, ch. 40, R. S., not to apply to taking alewives in Georges and Medomak rivers.

SECT. 1. Section forty-one of chapter forty of the revised statutes shall not apply to the taking of alewives by the town of Warren in the Georges river, and by the town of Waldoborough in the Medomak river under the authority granted said towns by the private and special laws of Massachusetts, passed March six, eighteen hundred and two, and amendments thereto passed by the legislature of this state.

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

Approved February 24, 1885.

### Chapter 273.

An Aot to provide for the holding of county Teachers Conventions.

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

School officers, and teachers may form associations for improvement in art of teaching. SECT. 1. Whenever not less than thirty of the teachers and school officers of any county shall have formed an association under rules of government approved by the state