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Chapter 299.

An Act additional relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

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

All precepts issued pursuant to section nineteen of chapter one hundred and forty-two of the revised statutes may be executed by any officer who may execute civil process ; and the fees of judges, justices and officers shall be the same as for similar services in civil cases. Section twenty-six of said chapter shall not be held to apply to precepts issued pursuant to section nineteen, saving cases already commenced. In case of appeal, in lieu of the recognizance now required by law, the justice or judge shall require the recognizance, in a reasonable sum, of some responsible and proper person for the custody, care and nurture of the girl, pending the appeal, and for her appearance to abide the final order of the appellate court, and in default thereof, may commit her to said industrial school until final disposition of the appeal. In such cases, no fees shall be required of the appellant for recognizance or copies of papers. Fees not otherwise provided for, shall be audited by the county commissioners and paid from the county treasury.

Precepts, how to be executed and fees of officer.

Section 26 not to apply to precepts issued under sec. 19.

Recognizance in case of appeal, how taken.

Appellant not required to pay fees.

Approved March 3, 1885.

Chapter 300.

An Act to amend sections twenty-five and twenty-seven of chapter four of the Revised Statutes, relating to Elections.

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

SECT. 1. Section twenty-five of chapter four of the revised statutes, is hereby amended, so as to read as follows :

Sec. 25, ch. 4, R. S., amended.

'SECT. 25. The officers presiding at any election shall use the check list herein required at the polls during the election of any such officers, and use but one ballot box, to be furnished at the expense of the town ; and no votes shall be received unless delivered by the voter in person after he has audibly announced his name to the presiding officers, unless physically unable to do so, and they have had opportunity to

Check list required.

—rules prescribed.

—votes, how received.

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Separate ballot box shall be provided, when constitutional amendment is submitted.

be satisfied of his identity and find his name on the list and mark it, and ascertain that his vote is single; but whenever a constitutional amendment is submitted to the people for adoption, a separate ballot box shall be provided at every poll or voting place into which the ballots or votes for or against such proposed amendment shall be deposited separately from all other ballots or votes, and into which each voter desiring to vote upon the amendment submitted, must deposit his ballot at the same time he deposits his ballot for officers to be chosen on that day, if any, and he desires to vote therefor.'

Sec. 27, amended.

SECT. 2. Section twenty-seven of chapter four is amended so as to read as follows:

Ballot boxes, how constructed and used.

'SECT. 27. Ballot boxes used at elections shall be covered at the top with a slide only, which shall be kept shut, except when opened to receive a ballot; but such boxes may contain mechanical devices which tend to prevent fraud in elections and do not materially abridge the rights of voters; and if the presiding officers do not comply with the requirements of this chapter, or attempt to evade the same, they shall be subject to the penalties provided in section fifty-nine.'

Penalty if requirements of this act are not complied with.

Approved March 3, 1885.

Chapter 301.

An Act to authorize Railroads to aid in the construction or equipment of Branch and Connecting Lines.

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

Railroad corporations may aid branch or connecting roads.

Any railroad corporation, wholly organized under the laws of this state, at any time when it has paid dividends for the preceding three years, may, by vote of its directors, authorized or confirmed by a two-thirds vote of its stockholders, at a meeting notified for the purpose, aid in the construction or equipment of a branch of its railroad, or in the construction or equipment of a connecting railroad, and may own and hold the securities or stock of such branch or of such connecting railroad; and the parties may make such leases or mortgages as they deem necessary to secure their respective interests.

Approved March 3, 1885.