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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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Chapter 10.

An Act to amend section thirteen of chapter three of the Revised Statutes, to provide compensation for services of Town Agent.

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

Sec. 13, ch. 3,
R. S., amended.

Section thirteen of chapter three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'Each town agent shall receive for his services a reasonable compensation to be paid out of the treasury of the town.' So that said section as amended, shall read as follows :

Officers chosen
by ballot.

'SECT. 13. Moderator, town clerk, selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor, treasurer, auditor, school committee and town agent shall be elected by ballot and the other said officers by ballot, or other method agreed on, by vote of the town. The town agent shall act under the direction of the selectmen and receive such compensation for his services as fixed by a vote of the town, otherwise as the selectmen shall allow, to be paid out of the treasury of the town. This act shall not affect any claims or proceedings for services now pending.'

Compensation of
town agent,
fixed by vote of
town.

Approved February 3, 1887.

Chapter 11.

An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money.

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

Municipal
officers author-
ized to call
meetings to
accept legacies,
etc.

SECT. 1. Whenever the municipal officers of any city or town are notified in writing by the executors of any will, or by the trustees created by virtue of the terms thereof, that a devise or bequest has been made upon conditions, by the testator of said will, in behalf of said city or town, the municipal officers of said city or town, shall, within sixty days after said notice to them, call a legal meeting of the inhabitants of said city or town qualified to vote upon city or town affairs. Said municipal officers shall give public notice in their warrants, of the object of said meeting, and such other notice as said municipal officers shall deem proper. At such meeting, the said inhabitants shall vote upon the acceptance of said conditional

—notice of
object of meet-
ings, shall be
given.

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gift, devise or bequest, and if a majority of the legal voters present, then and there vote to accept said devise or bequest, in accordance with the terms contained in said will, and upon the conditions made by the testator, said municipal officers of said city or town, shall forthwith notify said executors or trustees, in writing, of said acceptance by said city or town aforesaid, or the non-acceptance thereof.

—proceedings in case of acceptance.

SECT. 2. Whenever the executors or trustees, under any will, have fully discharged their duties respecting the payment, delivery or otherwise of any devise or bequest to said city or town; and said city or town have accepted said devise and bequest in accordance with the conditions of said will, as set forth in section one of this chapter, then said city or town shall perpetually comply, and strictly maintain and keep all the conditions and terms contained in said will, by virtue of which said devise or bequest was so made, and any city or town so accepting said gift, devise or bequest, and receiving the same, or enjoying the benefits therefrom, is hereby authorized to raise money to carry into effect the requirements and terms of said will, by virtue of which said gift, devise or bequest was so accepted and received. The provisions of this chapter shall apply only to gifts, devises and bequests, given, devised and bequeathed to cities and towns for educational, benevolent and charitable purposes and objects, or for the care, protection, repair and improvement of cemeteries owned by said cities or towns.

Cities and towns may raise money to carry into effect terms of will.

Act shall apply only to gifts, etc., for certain purposes.

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

Approved February 4, 1887.

Chapter 12.

An Act to amend chapter three hundred and four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to the Records and Indexes in the Registries of Deeds, which act amended section fourteen, chapter seven, of the Revised Statutes.

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

SECT. 1. Chapter three hundred and four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five is hereby amended by striking out the words "county commissioners" in the fifth line thereof, and inserting the word 'and'; also by striking out the words "March ten, eighteen hundred and eighty-six," in the tenth line thereof, and inserting the words 'within one

Ch. 304, public laws of 1885, amended.