

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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year from the approval of this act'; also by striking out the remainder of said section down to the words "provided, however," and inserting the words 'and shall revise said alphabetical indexes as often as once a year, for which they shall receive reasonable compensation, to be approved by the county commissioners of the respective counties, and drawn from the county treasury,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

Records shall be made on linen paper.

Registers required to make alphabetical and ledger index.

--and revise same annually.

Counties of York and Lincoln, exempt, as to certain volumes.

When act shall take effect in York county.

'SECT. 14. The records in each registry office shall be made on paper of a fine texture, well sized and finished, the principal ingredient of which is linen. The registers shall make an alphabetical index to each volume of records, without charge to the county, and shall make all additional volumes of index in the form known as ledger index, so that the same surnames shall be recorded together in each column of index, and shall change all volumes of index not heretofore revised to said form within one year from the approval of this act, and shall revise said alphabetical index as often as once a year, for which they shall receive a reasonable compensation, to be approved by the county commissioners of the respective counties and drawn from the county treasury, provided, however, that the county commissioners of the county of York are not obliged to change such indexes for any volume of records completed before January one, seventeen hundred and sixty, and the county commissioners of the county of Lincoln before January one, eighteen hundred and sixty.'

SECT. 2. The provisions of this act shall not apply to, nor take effect in the county of York until March one, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.

Approved February 7, 1887.

### Chapter 13.

An Act to restore the salary of the Clerk of Courts of Penobscot County.

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

Salary of clerk of courts for Penobscot county, increased.

SECT. 1. From and after January one, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, the Clerk of Courts of Penobscot County shall receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars and an additional allowance of eight hundred dollars per annum

for clerk hire. Said sums shall be in full compensation for the performance of all duties required of him by law, including those performed by him as clerk of the county commissioners, or by a clerk, *pro tempore*, employed by him under section seven, chapter seventy-eight. He shall render an account of all fees of office as required by law, be responsible for the same whether collected by him or not, and pay the whole amount to the treasurer of said county for the use thereof. One clerk employed by him shall be known as the deputy clerk, and sworn as such, and shall give to the clerk, a bond for his honesty and the faithful discharge of his duties.

Fees to be paid into county treasury.

Shall appoint a deputy clerk.

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

Approved February 7, 1887.

### Chapter 14.

An Act to provide for the descent of intestate estates of and to Illegitimates, and also to repeal sections three and four of chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes.

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

Sections three and four of chapter seventy-five of the revised statutes are hereby repealed, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

Secs. 3 and 4, ch. 75, R. S., repealed.

An illegitimate child born after March twenty-four, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, is the heir of his parents who intermarry. And any such child, born at any time, is the heir of his mother. And provided, the father of an illegitimate child adopts him or her into his family, or in writing acknowledges before some justice of the peace or notary public, that he is the father, such child is also the heir of his or her father. And in either of the foregoing cases, such child and its issue shall inherit from its parents respectively, and from their lineal and collateral kindred, and these from such child and its issue the same as if legitimate.

Heirship of an illegitimate child.

—descent of estate.

Approved February 9, 1887.