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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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#### Chapter 15.

An Act to amend section one of chapter twenty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to Div ision Fences.

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

Sec. 1, ch. 22, R. S., amended. Section one of chapter twenty-two of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out of the sixth line of said section, the following words: "built since April fifteen, eighteen hundred and eighty-three," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

What are legal fences.

'Sect. 1. All fences four feet high and in good repair, consisting of rails, timber, boards, stone walls, iron or wire, and brooks, rivers, ponds, crecks, ditches and hedges, or other things, which, in the judgment of the fence viewers having jurisdiction thereof, are equivalent thereto, are legal and sufficient fences; provided, however, that no barbed wire fence shall be accounted legal and sufficient, unless it is protected by an upper rail or board of wood.'

Approved February 9, 1887.

#### Chapter 16.

An Act relating to Habeas Corpus.

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

Sec. 7, ch. 99, R. S., amended. SECT. 1. Section seven of chapter ninety-nine of the revised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Writ of habeas corpus, how returnable. 'Sect. 7. When awarded by a justice of the supreme judicial court, it may issue, under his hand and seal, or upon his order from any clerk's office in vacation, as if issued by the court, and run throughout the state, and may be returnable before the court, or before himself, or any other justice thereof, and shall be entered upon the docket of the court in the county where returnable, and the judgment shall there be recorded by the clerk. When awarded by a judge of a superior court, it may issue, and shall be entered and the judgment recorded in like manner.'

Sec. 8, amended.

SECT. 2. Section eight of said chapter is hereby amended by adding the following words: 'Unless from examination of whole case, the court or justice is of opinion that it ought to issue.'

Approved February 9, 1887.