

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Chapter 289.

An Act to amend Section forty-two of Chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the Revised Statutes, relating to Cruelty to Animals.

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

Section forty-two of chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended, so that the same shall read as follows :

‘SECT. 42. Such officer or agent may take possession of any old, maimed, disabled, diseased or injured animal not properly cared for, and apply to any municipal or police court or trial justice for process to cause the same to be destroyed. If the owner is known, a copy of such application shall be served upon him in hand with an order of court to appear at a time and place named, to show cause why such animal should not be destroyed, and its value fixed. If the owner is not known, then the court shall order notices to be posted in two public and conspicuous places in the town, stating the case in substance, and giving forty-eight hours’ notice of the hearing thereon. At such hearings, the court shall determine the value of such animal, and may issue process directing such officer to destroy the same. The defendant may appeal as in civil actions.’

Sec. 42, ch. 124,
R. S. amended.

Any old,
disabled or dis-
eased animal,
not properly
cared for, may
be taken posses-
sion of.

—owner shall be
ordered to
appear and show
why such animal
should not be
destroyed.

—proceedings, if
owner is not
known.

—value, how to
be fixed.

Approved March 9, 1889.

Chapter 290.

An Act to amend Section nineteen of Chapter five of the Revised Statutes, in relation to School Funds in Plantations.

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

Chapter five, section nineteen of the Revised Statutes is amended by inserting after the words “school districts,” in the fourth line, ‘and until the first day of January next, preceding the date upon which the treasurer of said plantation shall call for such interest,’ so that said section shall read as follows :

‘SECT. 19. The interest shall be added to the principal of such fund until the inhabitants of such township or tract

Sec. 19, ch. 5,
R. S. amended.

Interest shall be
added to prin-
cipal.

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are incorporated into a town, or organized as a plantation, and establish in such plantation one or more school districts; and until the first day of January next preceding the date upon which the treasurer of said plantation shall call for such interest.'

Approved March 9, 1889.

Chapter 291.

An Act fixing the salary of the Superintendent of Public Buildings.

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

Salary of Supt.
Public Build-
ings, fixed.

SECT. 1. From and after January first, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, the salary of the superintendent of public buildings shall be twelve hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, instead of the sum now provided by law.

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

Approved March 12, 1889.

Chapter 292.

An Act for the regulation of the Lobster Fisheries.

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

Destroying, etc.
female lobsters,
prohibited.

--penalty.

--proviso.

SECT. 1. It is unlawful to destroy, buy, sell, expose for sale or possess any female lobster in spawn or with eggs attached, at any season of the year, under a penalty of ten dollars for each lobster so destroyed, caught, bought, sold, exposed for sale or possessed; provided, however, if it appears that he intended to liberate them in accordance with the provisions of this act, he shall not be liable to any of the penalties herein provided for, though he may have failed, from any cause not within his control, to so liberate them. The possession of mutilated, uncooked lobsters shall be prima facie evidence that they are not of the required length.

Taking of
lobsters less
than 10 1-2
inches, between
July 1 and May
1, prohibited

SECT. 2. It is unlawful to catch, buy or sell, or expose for sale, or possess for any purposes, between the first day of July and the first day of the following May, any lobster