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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

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rate of ten per cent per annum. This act shall not apply to taxes now assessed.

SECT. 2. This act shall not affect any law now in force providing for enforcement and collection of real estate taxes in other ways.

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Act shall not affect law for collection of taxes in other ways.

Approved March 29, 1893.

Chapter 315.

An Act to amend Sections seventy-two, and eighty-five of Chapter two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Library, also to amend Chapter one hundred fifteen of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter one hundred eighty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-nine, and to define the duties of State Librarian.

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

SECT. 1. Section seventy-two of chapter two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto after the word "trustees" the following words: 'and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such rules and regulations as are necessary for the proper management of the library and the safety of its contents,' so that said section shall read as follows :

Sec. 72, ch. 2, R. S., amended 1.

'SECT. 72. The state library shall be under the management and control of the governor and council as a board of trustees and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such rules and regulations as are necessary for the proper management of the library and the safety of its contents.'

Trustees of library.

—rules and regulations.

SECT. 2. Section eighty-five of chapter two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "one" in the first line of said section, and inserting in its stead the word 'two,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows :

Sec. 85, amended.

'SECT. 85. Two thousand dollars shall be biennially appropriated for the library, to be expended in purchasing or otherwise procuring such books, maps, charts, and works, as are deemed most useful, and in binding and keeping in good condition the works therein.'

Appropriation. \$2 000, biennially.

SECT. 3. All books, documents, pamphlets, manuscripts, records, archives, maps, pictures, and all other works of art, science and literature, and all annual, biennial and special

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reports of departments, officers and institutions controlled or supported by the state, and all other property appropriate to a general library, if owned by the state, and all books, documents and publications received by any one through purchase, gift, exchange or loan, from any source, for the use of the state, shall constitute the Maine State Library, and shall be in charge and under the general control and management of the librarian. All money appropriated by the legislature for the purchase of books and documents shall be expended by the librarian under the direction of the governor, and all books, documents and other works received by any state official, and designed as a gift or exchange for the use of the state, shall be delivered to the librarian and placed in the library.

—All expenditures shall be by librarian.

What works shall be kept in the library.

SECT. 4. There shall be procured and kept in the library, full and complete sets of digests, law reports, public laws and legislative documents of the United States and of the several states; a full set of English and Canada law reports, digests and laws; the general works on elementary law and practice; histories of all countries, including those of this state. its counties and towns; works on the arts and sciences with special reference to agriculture, forestry, fishing, ship building and road making; maps, charts, plans and manuscripts, statistical and other publications relating to the financial, social, religious and educational condition of the world and more especially of this state, as fast as means are furnished by the state therefor, and all the printed documents of this state and reports of all departments, offices, institutions and towns, required by law, not distributed by the several departments, shall be kept in the library.

Duties of librarian.

SECT. 5. In addition to the general duties of his office, the librarian shall solicit and receive all duplicate copies of books and documents and maintain a bureau of deposits, and exchange with all other libraries and institutions of learning, and shall aid in the establishment of free public libraries in the state by gifts of such books and documents as are published or purchased by the state for distribution.

State distribute all reports, etc.

SECT. 6. It shall also be his duty to distribute all the reports of the departments and institutions of the state, and all books and documents published or purchased by the state, to such nations, counties, municipalities, corporations, institutions and persons as are or may be by law entitled to

receive the same. He shall also supply the chief officers of each state department and institution with such numbers of its reports as the governor and council may order for complimentary and official distribution by said officers. He shall maintain a document department in a room provided for that purpose, in which shall be stored all department reports and the publications of the state intended for distribution, and shall keep an accurate account of all books and documents received, and of every book, document or package sent out from said department. A clerk may be employed who shall perform the duties pertaining to said department under the direction of the librarian.

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Shall supply heads of departments with reports.

—maintain a document room.

—clerk.

SECT. 7. The governor and council shall determine the number of reports of each department that shall be published, in all cases where the number is not fixed by law, and shall also designate the style of binding thereof and the number to be delivered to the heads of departments for official exchanges and complimentary distribution.

Number of reports published.

SECT. 8. No book, document, pamphlet or report shall be taken from the library at any time until the same has been charged to the person or persons applying for the same, and it shall be the duty of the superintendent of public buildings and his assistants to see that no one is admitted to the library rooms out of office hours or that any book is taken therefrom, without the consent of the librarian.

Books shall be charged person applying for same.

SECT. 9. The salary of the librarian shall be twelve hundred dollars. He shall employ one regular assistant librarian whose salary shall be five hundred dollars, the sums stated shall be in full for all services rendered in connection with the library.

Salary.

—assistant.