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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1897

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PUBLIC LAWS
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Sect. 21. Any corporation, association or society, neglecting or refusing to comply with, or violating the provisions of this act shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars, upon conviction thereof.

Sect. 22. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Approved March 27, 1897.

CHAP. 321

Penalty for violating provisions of this act.

Inconsistent acts, repealed.

Chapter 321.

An Act to amend Section five of Chapter twenty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by Chapter two hundred six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of Truant Officers.

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

Section five of chapter twenty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by chapter two hundred six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'Superintending school committees shall have power to fill vacancies occurring during the year,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 5. The municipal officers shall fix the compensation of the truant officers elected as prescribed in section three. Superintending school committees shall have power to fill vacancies occurring during the year.'

Approved March 27, 1897.

Section 5, chapter 22, public laws, 1887, further amended.

Compensation of truant officers. —vacancies, how filled.

Chapter 322.

An Act relating to Suits on Promissory Notes.

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

Sect. 1. In any proceeding at law or in equity in which the amount due on a promissory note given for the price of land conveyed, is in question, and a total failure of consideration would be a defense, a partial failure of consideration may be shown in reduction of damages.

In suits on notes, partial failure of consideration may be shown in reduction of damages.

CHAP. 323

Pending ac-
tions not
affected.

Sect. 2. This act shall not affect pending actions, or existing causes of action.

Approved March 27, 1897.

Chapter 323.

An Act to amend Section twenty-three of Chapter seventy-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of Attorneys to the Practice of Law.

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

Section 23,
chapter 79,
R. S.,
amended.

Sect. 1. Section twenty-three of chapter seventy-nine of revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the words "law school" in the fifth line thereof the words 'or has held the office of, and served as clerk of the supreme judicial courts in this state for the term of eight years and has studied for at least six months in the office of an attorney at law,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Qualifica-
tions for
admission
to the bar.

'Sect. 23. No person who has not been a member of the bar of another state, in good standing and in active practice for at least three years, shall be admitted to practice law in the courts of the state, unless he has studied for at least two years in the office of some attorney at law, or a part of the time in such office, and the remainder in some law school, or has held the office of, and served as clerk of the supreme judicial courts in this state for the term of eight years and has studied for at least six months in the office of an attorney at law, and has also passed a satisfactory examination in his legal studies.'

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

Approved March 27, 1897.